Bombers threaten France

PARIS (R) — A Middle East group which claimed responsibility for a series of deadly bombings in Paris last year warned Monday it would return to the attack unless France immediately released three jailed guerrilla fighters. "We are determined to stop at nothing... the summer could be very hot," the self-styled Committee of Solidarity with Arab and Middle Eastern Political Prisoners warned in a letter sent to an international news agency in Paris. The same group said it carried out two waves of bombings in Paris from February to March and in September last year, which killed 13 people and injured some 200 people. The group is demanding the release of Lebanese Georges Ibrahim Abdallah, pro-Iranian militant Anis Naccache and Armenian Waroujan Garbidjian. All three men are serving life prison sentences for crimes of Middle East violence carried out on French soil. The one-page letter was written in the same sprawling hand used in previous messages from the group.

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Israeli shot dead

Combined agency dispatches

GAZA CITY, occupied Gaza Strip — An

Israeli man was shot dead on Monday in

what appeared to be the latest in a wave of

in latest resistance

attack in Gaza Strip

Price: Jordan 100 fils; Syria 1 pound; Lebanon 1 pound; Saudi Arabia 1.50 riyals; UAE 1.50 dirhams; Great Britain 25 pence

King sends good wishes to Alfonsin

AMMAN (Petra) -- His Majesty King Hussein on Monday sent a cable of good wishes to Argentine President Raoul Alfonsin on his country's National Day. In the cable the King wished President Alfonsin continued health and happiness and more prosperity for the people of Argentina.

Israel says commando killed

TEL AVIV (R) - Israeli troops snot and killed a commando Sunday night on the edge of Israel's self-declared "security zone" in South Lebanon, a military spokesman said Monday. He said an Israeli patrol opened fire on a group of suspected commandos near the Lebanese village of Houla. The troops then searched the area and found the body of a fighter and two assault rifles, landmines, grenades and an anti-

U.S. team finds CIA role in Philippines

MANILA (AP) — Former U.S. Attorney General Ramsey Clark said Monday his fact-finding team believed it had found evidence of a growing CIA role in the war against communist rebels in the Philippines. Mr. Clark, who arrived last week at the head of a private human rights team, said he hoped to document the evidence and present it to U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz before his visit to the Philippines next month. Ralph McGehee, a former Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) employee, said he could see indications of CIA influence in the Philippine military's operations against the communist New People's Army. Mr. McGebee cited search-and-destroy missions, forced evacuation of civilians from rebel-held areas and the rise of civilian andmunist vigilante groups.

Arafat meets. Sudanese leader

KHARTOUM (R) — Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat arrived unexpectedly in Khartoum on Monday and held talks with Ahmad Ali Al Mirghani, head of the five-member supreme council which acts as the country's collective head of state, the Sudan News Agency (SUNA) reported. Mr. Arafat left Mauritania on Sunday after briefing President Mohammad Ould Sid Ahmad Taya on last month's meeting in Algiers of the Palestine National

Israel said selling arms to Malaysia and Indonesia

Council (PNC).

TEL AVIV (R) — A university lecturer said Monday Israel had secretly sold weapons to Indonesia and Malaysia and to many other governments that have no official ties with the Jewish state. Efram Inbar, a political studies lecturer at Bar-llan University near Tel Aviv, has just published an article on Israeli arms sales for the Jerusalem Centre for Public Affairs. Inbar, a 40-year-old writer on Middle East security, said his information, based in part on foreign news reports, was confirmed by knowledgeable Israeli sources. Inbar said Israeli weapons had found their way to Iran, Ethiopia, Indonesia and Malaysia and apparently also

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resistance attacks mounted by Palestinians living in the occupied territories. men said Israeli troops surrounded the area of the shooting

and closed two main intersections in Gaza City and arrested several Palestinians suspected of carrying out the attack. It was a fifth violent incident in the occupied Gaza Strip and West

Bank in less than a week, since the body of an Israeli boy was found Thursday in the West After Monday's shooting, a

contingent of Israeli soldiers and several police vans rushed to the scene, according to a Palestinian source in Gaza City who was quoted by AP. Israel army radio also said the

army was conducting a wide search for the assailant. An army spokeswoman said

Israel Radio and Israeli spokes- a.m. at the entrance to the city. The man shot dead was an Israeli taxi driver, she said.

An assailant fired a single shot and the bullet hit the driver in the chest, according to the spokeswoman.

She identified the taxi driver as a resident of Melilot, an Israeli settlement in the southern Negev.

In Gaza City on Friday, Israeli troops killed a Palestinian who allegedly detonated a roadside bomb near an Israeli car.

On Saturday, euraged Palestinians burned an Israeli car in Gaza City after its driver ran over and killed a seven-year-old Arab

On Sunday, an Israeli man who was shopping in Gaza City was stabbed in the back and slightly the shooting occurred at 5:30 wounded. At least eight Arabs

In Beirut, an anonymous caller said the mainstream Palestinian Fatch group carried out the

"A member of Force 17 opened fire on a Mossad (intellience) agent in the Gaza Strip at 0530, wounding him seriously.

The agent died on his way to hospital," the caller told an international news agency. He said the attacker "returned

safely to base.' Force 17 is the elite squad of the units of the Palestine Libera-

tion Organisation (PLO). In response to the latest attacks, the Yedioth Ahronoth newspaper published the following guidelines for Israelis travelling to the occupied Gaza Strip:

Do not drive at night. Do not drive alone. It is better to be accompanied by another vehicle.

 Drive with your windows closed along crowded streets. - On entering town, take off your seat belt — you might have to abandon your vehicle quickly. - Try not to arouse too much

— Be alert, look sideways.

nians living in the territories have

been arrested by the Israelis at

sometime in the past 20 years. Between 1967 and 1978, Israel

deported at least 1.156 Palesti-

nians, according to the group.

The deportation policy was then suspended until 1985.

documented how far Israel devi-

ates from the legal rights as a

belligerent occupier from its use

of administrative detentions to

deportations which have been in-

creased lately, to the sealing and

demolition of houses," he said.

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molished or sealed shut 125

homes of suspected Palestinian

activists in the past three years.

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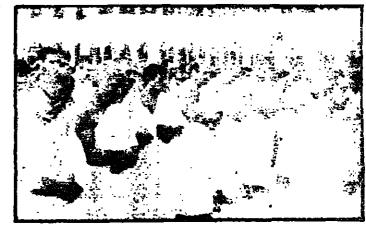
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Sunday night after performing Umra (the minor pilgrimage to Mecca) Prince Abdullah, Prime Minister Zaid Rifai and other senior officials.



His Mojesty King Hussein bolds talks with King Fahd Ibn Abdul Aziz with His Royal Highness Prince Mohammad, His Royal Highness

King returns after talks with Saudi leader on healing inter-Arab rifts and convening summit

By a Jordan Times Staff Writer

AMMAN — His Majesty King Hussein and a delegation accompanying him returned to Amman Monday morning at the end of a brief visit to Saudi Arabia where he held talks with King Fahd Ibn Abdul Al Aziz and joined worshippers in ceremonies marking Lailat Al Qadf (Night of Destiny - the night between the 26th and 27th of Ramadan, when, according to Sura 97, the Holy Koran

Mecca) and also prayed at the Prophet Mohammad Mosque in The Jordan News Agency, Petra said the King's talks with the Saudi monarch centred on means of ending differences among Arab countries and healing inter-

was revealed).

Arab rifts in preparation for holding an Arab summit meeting.

King Hussein also performed

Arab positions. Upon his departure from Medi-

Umra (the minor pilgrimage to na, King Hussein was seen off by Prince Abdul Majid Ibn Abdul Aziz, governor of the city, and senior Saudi Arabian officials.

The delegation accompanying the King to Saudi Arabia comprised His Royal Highness Prince Mohammad, His Royal Highness Prince Abdullah, Prime Minister Zaid Rifai, Court Minister Adnan Abu Odeh. Foreign Minister Taher Al Masri, Armed

Arab solidarity and unifying Forces Chief-of-Staff Lieutenant-General Fathi Abu Taleb and Public Security Director General Lt.-Gen. Abdul Hadi Al Majali.

Upon his return to Amman the King was met by His Royal Highness Prince Faisal Ibn Al Hussein, Royal Court Chief Marwan Al Qasem, Armed Forces Commander-in-Chief General Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker and other senior officials and high-ranking army

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Lawyers group condemns rising human rights violations by Israel

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (R) diminished," said Palestinian · 250,000 of the 1.3 million Palesti-- A Palestinian lawyers' group lawyer Jonathan Kuttab. on Monday accused Israel of in- The group, which monitors he creased human rights violations in the West Bank and Gaza Strip and said 20 years of occupation had turned the Arab territories into Israeli colonies.

The group, Law in the Service of Man, told a news conference Israel had deported 40 Palestimians and held 232 Arabs for long periods without trial since imposing an "iron fist" policy in July 1985 to counter resistance activity.

The news conference was called to mark the anniversary next month of Israel's occupation of the Arab territories in the 1967

"After 20 years of occupation and with no immediate prospects of ending that occupation, we find restrictions on the population have increased rather than

2 blasts rock east Beirut

BEIRUT (Agencies) — Two carbombs exploded 10 minutes apart in east Beirut on Monday, wounding one person and destroying several parked cars.

police reported. The first detonated only 50 metres from the headquarters of President Amin Gemayel's mostly Christian right-wing Falange Party in the Ashrafiyeh neighbourhood at 1:45 p.m.

One person was wounded in this explosion, but police would not disclose his identity The second bomb exploded at

the Hayek roundabout 10 minutes later, police said. Both explosions wrecked several cars parked in the streets.

The bombs were planted in two cars and the drivers were arrested near the scenes of the explosions, police said. They would not give other details.

About 40 people have been killed in a dozen big bomb explosions in various parts of Lebanon

A bomb in the car of an Iranian Revolutionary Guards official killed his Iranian driver in the southern port of Tyre on Sunday,

reports said. The Iranian embassy said in a statement broadcast by Amal radio that "the Zionist enemy, its agents and cowardly mercenaries" were behind the attack.

It said the Iranians were in Tyre for an anti-Israel rally. The independent An Nahar daily identified the Revolutionary

Guards official as Sheikh Hamid

man rights violations, strongly criticised Israel for banning Arab political activity, severely restrict-ing family reunification, and frequently closing Palestinian uni-

"The phase we are in after 20 years of occupation is a phase of colonisation. Some 42 per cent of the land is already under Israeli control. The West Bank serves as a market for Israeli products," lawyer Mona Rishmawi said.

More than 64,000 Jewish settlers have moved into more than 100 settlements in the occupied territories since 1967. The group said it had reports

Arab prisoners were being subject to increasingly brutal treat-

Mr. Kuttab said there were

such actions before suspects are rough estimates that about tried or convicted. Tories capitalise on Kinnock's suggestion of guerrilla warfare

LONDON (R) - The opposition trist alliance languishing in third Labour Party's controversial nonnuclear defence policy dominated the British election campaign Monday after leader Neil Kinnock suggested the threat of guer-rilla warfare could deter nuclear-

armed invaders. Defence Secretary George Younger described it as a policy of "surrender and take to the hills" and newspapers greeted Mr. Kinnock's comments with scathing headlines such as "Fight them in the street" and "If the enemy comes - by Neil."

The defence row erupted as a new opinion poll showed the ruling Conservatives widening their lead over Labour, with the ceu-

The Harris daily poll for the

independent breakfast television station TV-AM showed the Conservatives nine percentage points ahead of Labour with 44 per cent, compared to six points on Sunday. However other polls on Sunday confirmed that overall Labour was gradually closing the

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Weinberger: Missile pact will

and surface ships under any U.S.-Soviet treaty to remove intermediate range nuclear forces fence Secretary Caspar Weinber-

"The vast majority of NATO nuclear systems would remain unaffected by an INF agreement," he said.

gap on the Tories.

leave atomic shield over NATO

umbrella on planes, submarines (INF) from Europe, U.S. Deger said Monday.

"With some 4,000 nuclear

weapons, consisting of those carned on nuclear-armed aircraft and submarines and ground and sea-based tactical nuclear weapons, Europe would hardly be de-nuclearised."

Mr. Weinberger said the key

The Conservatives have

already made it clear they intend to make defence a key issue after opinion polls showed Labour's plan to scrap Britain's nuclear weapons and order the United

BRUSSELS (R)-NATO would element of any INF agreement, retain an impressive nuclear currently being worked out by the

superpowers, would be to get rid of Soviet medium-range SS-20 missiles aimed at targets through-out Western and Southern Europe. His remarks were in a speech in Brussels on the eve of talks on

conventional forces by NATO defence ministers at the alliance beadquarters here. Mr. Weinberger did not specify where nuclear-armed aircraft and ships would be based under an

INF treaty, or whether extra

planes and cruise missile sub-

to the Soviet Union. (Continued on page 3)

EC finds no scope for any new initiative in Mideast

BRUSSELS (Agencies) -- European Community (EC) foreign ministers agreed on Monday there was no scope for any new East as a result of an impasse in Israel over the issue of an international peace conference.

Diplomats said the 12 ministers unanimously accepted there was no point at the present time in following up a recent diplomatic mission to the area by Belgian Foreign Minister Leo Tindemans while reaffirming their support for a conference. They said the decision was

taken after Mr. Tindemans reported at length on talks he held recently in his capacity as current president of the EC's Council of Ministers in Jordan, Egypt and Saudi Arabia and then a few weeks later in Israel.

His visit to the region was part of a flurry of diplomatic activity which followed a declaration by EC states in February calling for the first time for an international peace conference under United Nations auspices.

Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, who generally supports the conference idea, has been unable to garner enough votes in the Israeli parliament to force an election over the proposal which is opposed by Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

Diplomats quoted Britain's Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe as telling the meeting that the revived peace process had now reached a "point of frustra-

van den Broek said a "pause for thought" was needed. Later the 12 ministers issued a statement urging Iran and Iraq to stop using chemical arms in their

profound concern about recent developments in the Gulf." Officials said this referred to the May 17 Iraqi missile attack against an American guided-mis-sile frigate in which 37 crewmen

The ministers said they "appeal to all parties concerned to exercise maximum restraint and... call on the belligerents to use all peaceful means in order to end the Gulf conflict without delay."

were "deeply concerned by the unanimous conclusions" of a panel of United Nations experts that both Iran and Iraq used chemical weapons against military and civilian targets. The Twelve strongly condemn

marines would be moved closer these flagrant breaches" of U.N. agreements against the use of chemical weapons, the statement

Petra said the two monarchs discussed means of strengthening

The USS Stark after the May 17 attack

U.S. inquiry team arrives in Baghdad seeking clarifications over Stark attack

BAGHDAD (Agencies) -- A joint team of U.S. State Department and Pentagon investigators arrived in Baghdad on Monday seeking answers to puzzling questions about the May 17 Iraqi missile attack that killed 37 American sailors aboard the USS

The head of the team said he hoped to interview the Iraqi pilot who fired the missiles which hit

Rear Admiral David N. Rogers, deputy director for current oper tions at the directorate of the U.s. Joint Chiefs of Staff, told foreign reporters: "I am submitting a request to the Iraqis tomorrow to meet the pilot.

He said his nine-member mission would hold talks with the Iragis on the circumstances leading to the missile attack.

His Dutch counterpart Hans MANILA (Agencies) - The Phi- Mr. Enrile, had appealed on the

6½-year-old war. The ministers also expressed Opposition leaders, among them ousted Defence Minister Juan Ponce Enrile, gathered their forces on Sunday at the site in

zon Aquino into the presidency. The massive outpouring of support they hoped for failed to materialise. Soldiers remained in their barracks and refused to join The ministers also said they them despite the urgings of the thousands who showed up to pro-

> May 11 election. The demonstration was peaceful Sunday night, with police reporting only three arrests. A grenade exploded in front of the government-owned Channel 4 television station a few kilometres from the protest. Right-wing leaders, including

He did not elaborate, but U.S. Ambassador David Newton said the Iraqi authorities had been cooperative in arranging for the investigators to meet Iraqi offi-

Both Washington and Baghdad have described the attack as an accident and Mr. Newton said: "I don't believe they did it deliber-

ately. He said the Iraqi response had been "positive and cooperative." Iraq had agreed to compensate for both the material and human loss and President Saddam Hussein had responded quickly by sending a message of regret and

Mr. Newton added: "The incident was a test for the improvement of relations between the United States and Iraq."

sages to President Reagan, described the attack as "unintentional" and expressed sorrow at the deaths. He said Iraq was prepared to "do anything that might alleviate the grief of the

victims' families. Foreign Minister Tarea Aziz said his government regretted the incident and expressed hope that "the painful accident" would not affect relations between Baghdad

and Washington U.S. embassy sources, speaking to AP on condition of anonymity said the inquiry team includes weapons, communications, operations and air defence

The team will be in Baghdad

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President Hussein, in two mesfizzles out

Riot police, using baton

hundreds of demonstrators who

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ippines' right-wing opposition, radio late into the night for the fighting for political survival after people to come out and support a massive defeat in congressional them but their exhortations were elections, called for a new "peolargely ignored. ple power" revolt but failed to draw popular or army support. charges and firing tear gas and water cannons, drove away the

tion protest Monday morning, 19 front of Manila's two main milithours after their rally started. ary bases, of the popular uprising The others had drifted away in that overthrew Ferdinand Marons the early hours of the morning. in February 1986 and put Coradespite vows by speakers that the demonstrators would hold their ground until Mrs. Aquino was

ousted from power. Police said they acted after demonstrators failed to honour an agreement to clear part of the highway they were blocking betest against alleged fraud in the fore the morning rush hour. Presidential executive secret-

ary Joker Arroyo dismissed the incident. "That is a traffic probiem." he said. "That is not a matter of presidential concern." and other missiles againt police. work,

Witnesses told AP scores of Philippine constabulary troopers, armed with plastic shields and truncheons, waded into the crowd on Edsa Boulevard at about 9:30 a.m. after protesters refused to clear away from the gate of a military camp.

"We are fighting for democracy," screamed several women as the troops shoved them back during the first confrontation. The crowd, including many avowed Marcos supporters spent the night on Edsa between Camp Aguinaldo and Camp Crame.

Some protesters lay limp, forcing troopers to drag them away.

After others began hurling stones, at least four water cannon sprayed the crowd and military jeeps moved through the littered street firing volleys of tear gas.

Brigadier-General Alexander Aguirre, who ordered the dispersal, said that after the confrontation occurred, he and his former A police spokesman said at deputy were threatened with least 14 demonstrators were death by a male caller broadcastarrested after using rocks, bottles ing on the capital-area radio net-

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Reagan Gulf buildup stokes W. German policy row with Congress

By Christopher Hanson

WASHINGTON — President Reagan's decision to expand the U.S. naval role in the Gulf after a missile attack on an American frigate there has stoked a struggle with Congress over foreign policy.

Legislators are sharply questioning his plan for the U.S. navy to protect 11 Kuwaiti oil tankers in the Gulf after last week's Iraqi attack on the USS Stark in which 37 American seamen were killed. They are also questioning

much more strongly than before his plan to sell F-15 jet fighters to Saudi Arabia. These questions come on top of

conflicts over Mr. Reagan's claim to be exempt from a law that banned aid to Nicaraguan rebels from 1984 to 1986 and his interpretation of the 1972 U.S.-Soviet anti-ballistic missile (ABM)

The White House has faced a growing challenge from Capitol Hill since November, when the Democrats, who already controlled the House, recaptured the Senate. But leading Republicans also are raising questions about

Mr. Reagan policies.
"We should make no more (Guif) commitments until we are absolutely certain it is in our long-term interests," Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas declared last week.

The attack on the Stark, one of six U.S. warships patrolling the Gulf to defend freedom of navigation, pointed up the risks of operating in the area where Iraq and Iran have been at war for 6½ years.

Mr. Reagan said the attack had only hardened U.S. resolve to keep the sea lanes open and oil supplies flowing and the White House announced it was moving

ahead with the plan for protecting Kuwaiti vessels, which would fly

U.S. flags.
But leading members of Congress have raised strong doubts about the plan, under which U.S. warships would operate farther north and much closer to the

fighting than in the past.
The carrier Constellation, based near the mouth of the Gulf, would provide air cover. Washington has accepted

Irao's statement that the attack on the Stark was accidental, withthe pilot thinking the ship was Iranian.

But congressmen say the plan for Kuwaiti vessels to fly the U.S. flag would greatly increase risks of war with Iran.

'(Reagan) is launching a policy without understanding where it might lead," said Representative Robert Torricelli, a Democrat on the House Foreign Affairs Com-

The Senate voted 91-5 on Thursday to require Mr. Reagan to brief Congress thoroughly before carrying out the Gulf plan. Several legislators insist Mr. Reagan is required under the 1973 war powers act to notify Congress formally that he is sending forces into an area where

hostilities are imminent. Under the act, which arose out of congressional opposition to the Vietnam war, presidents can only deploy forces in a war zone for 90 days unless Congress votes to let

But White House spokesman

negotiator in Beirut to see hostages Marlin Fitzwater insisted last

week that the act did not apply to Some congressmen are also rebelling against a White House plan to sell 12 to 15 advanced F-15 planes to Saudi Arabia. because it refused a U.S. request to intercept the Iraqi jet that

attacked the Stark. Senate Democratic majority leader Robert Byrd said the sale was in serious trouble and he would vote against it because "we did not get the assistance from the Saudis we needed at a critical ing explosives.

The Senate is also resisting Mr. Reagan's broad interpretation of the ABM treaty, which he says would allow testing and development of a "Star Wars" spacebased shield against nuclear weapons.

The Iran arms scandal has sparked a sharp dispute between the White House and Congress.

the Gulf situation.

Congressional hearings are probing the affair, involving the secret sale of U.S. arms to Iran and the possibly illegal transfer of profits to Nicaraguan contra re-bels while official U.S. military aid to them was banned under the Boland Amendment.

Mr. Reagan initially denied he had been involved in efforts to get private groups and foreign governments to aid the contras during the ban.

But after testimony by White House aides showed he was heavily involved in encouraging these efforts, he admitted it and claimed that the Boland Amendment never applied to him because the constitution puts the president alone in charge of foreign policy.

The contention has drawn howls of protest from Democrats and legal scholars.

Kuwait's Ahmadi Port resumes operations

KUWAIT (R) - Work has resumed at key installations and a port shut down at Kuwait's main oil and gas export complex after a industrial units near the incihuge fire crupted on Friday night, the Kuwait News Agency (KUNA) reported.

Kuwait said Sunday it had controlled the blaze which broke out at a highly-volatile propane gas storage tank at its \$1-billion liquefied petroleum gas plant in Ahmadi, 32 kilometres south of the capital. There were no casual-

"As a result of removing the danger, the signal was given to resume work as normal for all dent," KUNA said late Sunday

It said work was suspended at the state-owned Ahmadi and Shuaiba oil refineries, the petrochemical industries plant and Shuaiba Port and personnel were evacuated during the fire.

KUNA quoted a senior Kuwaiti official as saying it re-sulted from an explosion in a pipe Libya to help Pacific native

leading to the gas tank, holding nearly 500,000 barrels of Oil facilities at or near Ahmadi

have been targets of several bombings in the past year. Sixteen Kuwaiti men, four of them still at large, are on trial for

a string of explosions which set off a big blaze at the Ahmadi refinery last June and blasts in January which caused small fires at offshore and desert oil sites

BONN (R) — Special negotiator Hans-Juergen Wischnewski flew from Tehran to Beirut Monda; to see two West Germans held hostge for the past four months by pro-Iranian Lebanese kidnappers, government sources in

The hostages, Rudolf Cordes and Alfred Schmidt, are being held in an attempt to force Bonn to release Mohammed Ali Hamadei, detained in West Germany on charges of illegally pos-

Hamadei is wanted by the United States for murder and air piracy in connection with the 1985 hijacking of a Trans World Airlines flight from Athens to Beirut.

Mr. Wischnewski, a senior figure in the opposition Social Democratic Party, and an experienced trouble-shooter in the Middle East and Central America, arrived in Tehran three days ago.

The speaker of the Iranian parliament, Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani was quoted by Tehran Radio Monday as saying Iran had promised to pass on a Bonn government message to the group holding the two.

The radio, monitored by the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC), said Mr. Rafsanjani told Wischnewski Sunday that Iran was not keen to act as a mediator, but would convey Bonn's message out of respect for Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher and the speaker of the Bonn parliament.

Floods cause havoc in Somalia

MOGADISHU (R) — Heavy rains following a long drought have caused severe flooding in central and north west Somalia, cutting off many towns and villages, Radio Mogadishu said

Rains over the past two weeks had destroyed huoses, roads and bridges, the radio quoted an Interior Ministry statement as

Thousands of domestic animals had died in the floods, after severe livestock losses in the preceding drought.

Sudanese troops report

troops killed 250 anti-government ambushed army troops. rebels and captured huge amounts of arms and ammunition 15 injured in the fighting, Gen. in fighting over the last three days Zein said. in south Sudan, a senior army

Gen. Mohammad Zein told Al troops since 1983 in the African, Ayam daily that the fighting took non-Muslim south of Sudan for place at Akoba, in Upper Nile more autonomy from the Mus-

Rebels of the Ethiopian-back-

Shin Bet in disgrace after court frees prisoner

TEL AVIV (Agencies) — Israel's switched and you would be sitting scandal-plagued Shin Bet Security service was in disgrace Monity service was in disgrace Monday after the supreme court freed a jailed army officer belonging to its Muslim minority who was pressured into a false confession of treason and espionage.

Lieutenant Izat Nafsu, a member of the Circassian ethnic minority, had served seven years of an 18-year sentence. He walked from court a free man Sunday night after the threejudge panel, in an unprecedented ruling, upheld his appeal.

The court severely criticised

the methods of mental and physical pressure, bordering on torture, used by the security service to extort a false confession from the officer. "It was said in the verdict that

there was an entire system of pressures, threats, humiliations. For example, they threatened to arrest my wife and mother," Nafsu said in a radio interview. Security agents deprived him of

sleep, made him strip, spat in his face, threw him on the floor, pulled him by the hair and forced him to stand outside for long periods in mid-winter and then take a cold shower, he said. The court ruling lent new

weight to frequent statements by Palestinians that they were beaten and harassed into making confessions. More than 90 per cent of convictions in Israeli security trials are based on confessions, lawyers say.

All this went on day after day, hour after hour, without let-up. The interrogators would be

Fire destroys building at U.K. base in Cyprus NICOSIA, Cyprus (Agencies)

A building housing administra-tive offices at British bases in Cyprus was destroyed by fire early Monday, a government spokesman said. Petros Voskarides said there

were no casualties and that investigators were looking into the cause of the blaze at 3 a.m. (midnight GMT).

The building is outside the guarded perimeter of the Akrotini Air Base and housed the civilian administration offices for Akrotiri and Episcopi, another sovereign British base on Cyprus. It is located on a public road. Last month three Arabs were taken into custody for shooting ata vehicle carrying a British conporal and a young British girl near Episcopi.

Last August a pro-Libyan Arab-group called the Unified Nasser-ite Organisation claimed responsibility for firing rockets and mortars into Akrotiri saying it was in revenge for the role played by the base in Western acts against Arabs.

Two women were slightly injured in the attack which was launched from a road bordering the base.

"The blaze started at three in the morning (midnight GMT) and the building is gutted. There were no injuries," Maj. Johnny Rogers told Reuters.

'tell, tell, tell' - and you had nothing to tell," Nafsu said.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, in a move to pre-empt calls for a public inquiry, last week named a two-man panel to review Shin Bet interrogation methods in the light of the Nafsu case.

Israeli newspapers described the court ruling as devastating forthe security service, following last vear's scandal over the beating to death by Shin Bet agents of two captured Palestinian bus hijackers in 1984.

Shin Bet chief Avraham Shalom was forced to resign and he and 10 other security officers received controversial pardons from President Chaim Herzog for their role in the killing and a subsequent cover-up.

"(The Naisu verdict) is an unprecedented blow to the security service because it shows the fabrication of evidence uncovered last year ... was not an isolated incident but part of a system used by Shin Bet interrogators and their superiors," the mass-circulation Yedioth Ahro-

The left-wing Al Hamishmar daily compared the Nafsu case with France's Dreyfus Affair in the 1890s, in which an officer was wrongfully convicted by a French court of treason and sent to Devil's Island on the basis of false

"The time has come to clean the stables before (Shin Bet) becomes a real danger to the freedom of the citizen and the maintenance of law and justing in

the country," it said. But one senior Israeli journalist, military correspondent Ron Ben-Yishai of Yedioth Ahronoth, defended the security service in a commentary.

"Many people owe their lives not only to the quality of the information obtained by Shin Bet but mainly to the speed with which it succeeded in obtaining that information," he said.

"It may not be pleasant to admit, but one of the most important means of quickly obtaining intelligence is to apply pressure on the suspect, pressure of all sorts including physical violence and psychological manipulation,"

In a speech Monday, Shamir said too much public attention had been focused on Shin Bet in recent years.

"It must do its job in the shadows. It is healthier, more useful and more efficient," said. "This does not mean that these people, as much as they are heroes, should be above criticism

The attorney for Nafsu said Monday his client will file criminal complaints against a dozen agents if the state doesn't take action first.

Nafsn's defence attorney. Arve Kammar, told the Associated Press he would seek back pay and damages for wrongful imprisonment from the state and individual Shin Bet agents. Nafsu's

cousin. Mehad, said about a dozen agents were involved.

The high court recommended in its decision that restitution be made, but was not specific. After

the decision, Nafsu was welcomed outside the courthouse by about 100 cheering and dancing friends and relatives.

"Whoever committed that crime against my client is going to pay for that," Kammar said. Nobody will get off free."

The high court noted in its decision that the chief military prosecutor ackowledged the Shin Bet agents had deviated from proper procedures and lie about in court.

"These actions cause farreaching harm to the credibility of representatives (of the Shin Bet)," the court said.

During the daylong hearing,

which was closed to the public, Naisu pleaded guilty to the lesser charge of failing to report a meeting with a member of the Pales

tine Liberation Organisation.

In the army, Nafsu had served as liaison officer for pro-Israeli agents in southern Lebanon and such meetings were part of his job. The meeting itself was not a violation of procedures, only the failure to report it.

The court sentenced Naisu to two years in prison, to be counted against the time served, and ordered his rank reduced from lieutenant to sergeant major.

Chief military prosecutor Amnon Straschnow told Israel Radio the Nafsu case was exceptional and "we don't have to draw conclusions about other cases."

Israel to reconsider tuition increase the cabinet last Sunday, called for primarily Jewish and non-Jewish

TEL AVIV (AP) - Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said the government would reconsider its decision to make those who have not served in the Israeli army, primarily Arabs, pay 50 per cent more to attend universities. The decision came Sunday, a

day after Arab leaders announced they would hold nationwide strike to protest the planned tuition hike. "The Arab community was

hurt by the government decision and that was not our intention,". an aide Moshe Arens, a Likud cabinet minister who is in charge of the Arab sector, said Monday. Both Arens and Education Minister Yitzhak Navon of the

Labour Party called for a review of the decision to introduce a two-tier fee system at Sunday's The initial decision, reached by

Israelis who had completed their military service to pay \$1,050 for the 1987-88 academic year. Others would pay \$1,550.

it did not solve the financial problems of the universities but created "dangerous and unnecessary" discrimination. Most Israeli Jews serve up to

A representative of the Council

students from abroad. Arab-Israeli leaders, angered by the government decision; called Saturday for a general strike to protest economic and social for

discrimination. The Arab leaders also complained that Arab municipalities received a quarter of the budgets allocated to Jewish towns and that Arab children studied in 1,400 substandard classrooms. Jewish university students

joined Arabs in protesting the cabinet decision. The National Student Union appealed to the supreme court last week to nullify it on the grounds it was discriminatory. University administrators from

About 6,000 of these have not Israel's six major campuses deserved in the army including cided to ignore the government 3,700 Arabs. The others who decision and set a standard trihave not served in the army are. tion fee of \$1,600 for all students.

Knesset to get Pollard probe findings today

try's entire political leadership.

Parliament officials said the infelligence subcommittee led by former Foreign Minister Abba Eban would present its findings to Speaker Shlomo Hillel Tuesday and issue an unclassified portion of its report.

Eban has asked the sevenmember group to determine whether cabinet ministers should be held responsible for the ac-

States put final touches Monday has heard testimony from govern- 1985. to a report that could hurt coun- ment leaders, intelligence men and military officials.

The report comes as Israel is reeling under the impact of domestic security service, Shin Bet. The supreme court Sunday freed a jailed army officer framed on espionage charges by the organisation.

Pollard, 32, was sentenced to life imprisonment in Washington leaders.

HOSPITALS

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unit known as Lekem

The scandal encompasses top military commanders, who approved Lekem's use of air force Colonel Aviem Sella to 2 1 1 recruit Pollard, as well as political

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official Libyan News Agency JANA said on Monday. Last week, Libya denied it was trying to destabilise the South Pacific region and said Australia's recent decision to shut down the Libvan embassy in Canberra

served Israeli and "imperialist"

JORDAN TELEVISION

peoples to wage 'revolutions' ROME (AP) — Libya will con- Minister Bob Hawke had accused tinue its "instigating" role in the Libya of seeking to destabilise the Pacific, helping native peoples

On Monday, JANA quoted its political editor as stressing that the Libyan role will continue in instigating the peoples of this region to wage their revolution against the evil forces of col-

The dispatch from Tripoli

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Artistic exhibition including 50 plates, by Jordanian plastic artist Mohammad Sabah Kiswari. At exhibi-tion hall, Plaza Hotel. The exhibition

FEATURE FILM

"Billy Liar" at 8:30 p.m. at the British Council.

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MUSEUMS

"Children's Heritage and Science Misseum" Fun and knowledge for all ages, plus a small planetarium at the Haya Arts Centre. Open all week 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Closed on Friday.
Raktiore Museum: Jeweiry and costumes over 100 years old. Also mosaics from Madaba and Jerash (4th to 18th centuries). The Roman Theatre, Amman. Opening hours: 9:00 a.m.-5 p.m. Year-round. Tel. 651760.

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Jordan Archaeological Maseum: Has an excellent collection of the anti-quities of Jordan. Jabal Al Qal'a (Citadel Hill). Opening hours: 9.00 a.m.-5.00 p.m. (Fridays and official holidays 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.). Closed Tuesdays.

Martyrs' Memorial (Military Museum): Collection of military memorabilia dating from the Arab Revolt of 1916. Sports City, Amman. Opening hours 9.00 a.m.-4.00 p.m. Closed Saturdays. Tel. 664240.

CHURCHES

Baptist School in Shmeisani, Tel. Baptst School in Sunnessan, 1ct. 677534.
Evangelical Latherin Church Amman, Arabic Service: Sunday 7:00 p.m. Rathow Congregation, English Service: Saturday 6:30 p.m. Rev. N. Smir, Tel. 811295.

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WEATHER

Navon sharply criticised the plan at Sunday's meeting, saying

three years of compulsory military service after high school graduation. No Arab Israelis serve in the army except on a voluntary and individual basis.

of Higher Education said about 65.000 students were enrolled in Israeli universities and colleges.

TEL AVIV (R) - A panel of tions of U.S. navy intelligence on March 4 after admitting he legislators probing Israel's bung- analyst Jonathan Pollard, who passed hundreds of secret docu-

> Israeli leaders apologised to 22 2 the United States and said the operation was carried out behind TEL: their backs by a now-disbanded recit another scandal involving its Defence Ministry intelligence

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Royal Theatre Company to entertain for Eid with staging of Brecht's Threepenny Opera

By Meg Abu Hamdan Special to the Jordan Times

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With music by Kurt Weill, "The Threepenny Opera" was first performed in Berlin in 1928. It was an immediate triumph and in the five years following its creation, the work was performed over 10,000 times in Europe and translated in 18 different lan-

In 1930 a film version was made and in 1954 it opened on Broadway to run for an unprecedented seven commuons years. Brecht adapted "The Threepenny Opera" from John Gay's musical play, "The Beggar Opera" which was first performed in 1728. Gay's play satinsed the habits of polite London society and the corrupt politics of the day, a satire that Brecht updated and redirected to attack social conditions in pre-World

War II Germany.

the play is now, however, as Mrs. Batrouni says, a museum piece applying perhaps to other countries but not any longer to Europe. The opera is more revelant to contemporary audiences perhaps because it is classic of its genre and almost certainly because it is so much fun.

"I think Brecht really enjoyed writing this piece and the messages were added as a sort of afterthought," Mrs. Batrouni related the Jordan Times. "I've enjoyed doing it too, mainly because Brecht has made fun of everything that's awful, or in the worst possible taste. It's antihero, anti-romantic and antiestablishment. I also enjoyed the fact that the play is written from the angle of a sub-culture, the members of which, because they are outisde all that is run of the mill are thus able to view society

so much more objectively."
"The Threepenny Opera" belongs to the genre of theatre, known as epic theatre, a term that applies to plays that strive to divorce themselves from the realistic theatre, the slice of life plays that were true to the minutest detail from writers such as Chekov that prevailed at that

The socio-political message of

volved; he wanted them to remain cold and detached and to like posters coming down with different announcements, actors. saying things out of context and a raised to the peerage. narrator who constantly makes you aware that you are being told

"We took Brecht's ideas of alienation one step further. By having the actors changing characters and making that change on stage in front of everyone, we ensured the audience will never get involved with any one character. What we have finally, if you like, is a story being told by a storyteller with the actors acting out the various bits and pieces.

The story is straightforward, relating the adventures of Macheath, the leader of a band of beggars. By marrying Polly Peachum, he incurs the wrath of her father, "London's king of beggars" who controls the activities of these wretches by furnishing them with the rags and know-how they need in exchange for a substantial percentage of

The father Peachum has Mack ral Centre

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Mr. Ossaimi later told repor-

and ensure the flow of oil ship-

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Thursday against the Reagan

administration's plan to allow

Kuwait to operate half its 22-

tanker fleet under the U.S. flag to

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Mr. Sasser told a news confer-

ence on Monday that the vote

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He explained: "The Senate...

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Mr. Sasser said a multi-nation-

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The Senate voted 91-5 last

"Brecht always wanted the au- arrested and thrown in prison dience to realise that this was where the jailer's daughter helps theatre, not real life." Mrs. Bat- free him in return for the promise rouni explained, "He didn't want that he will marry her. Peachum, people to get emotionally in-however, by threatening the chief of police, manages to get Macheath recaptured and sentachieve this he used shock tactics enced to death, a fate he escapes by a cynically happy ending in which he is not only acquitted but

> Throughout the plot runs the wonderful jazz score of Kurt Weill, a score which conveys perfectly the idea of the play without loosing any of the immediate and immense appeal of any of the individual songs. Kurt Weill went on to be one of the outstanding composers of American popular

"The Threepenny Opera" is a witty, clever and amusing musical play full of ironic touches that has entertained and stimulated audiences for more than half a century. The Royal Theatre Company's version should not be

Performances of "The Threepenny Opera" can be seen on Thursday through Sunday, May 28-31, in the Studio Theatre at the Royal Cultural Centre at 8:30 p.m. Tickets at JD 3 for adults and JD 1.5 for students are obtainable from the Royal Cultu-

Jordan celebrates Independence Day

AMMAN (Petra) - Jordan Monday celebrated the 41st anniversary of its independence from Britain. Celebrations were held in different parts of the Kingdom to mark the occasion and all government departments and public institutions remained

Jordanian towns and cities were bedecked with portraits of His Majesty King Hussein, flags and other decorative signs to mark the occasion.

King Hussein Monday received cables of good wishes from kings and heads of state of Arab and foreign nations.

In their cables, these leaders wished the King health and happiness, and wished further prosperity for the Jordanian people.

The congratulatory cables came from King Hassan II of Morocco, Sultan Qaboos of Oman, Syrian President Hafez Al Assad, Iragi President Saddam Hussein, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, Algerian President Chadli Benjedid, North Yemeni President Ali Abdullah Saleh, President of the United Arab Emirates Sheikh Zayed Ibn Sultan Al Nahayan, Emir of Kuwait Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmad Al Sabah and Emir of Qatar Sheikh Khalifa Ibn Hamad Al

The King also received cables of congratulations from Sultan Alexander of Malaysia, Turkish President Kenaan Evren, President of Bangladesh Hussein Mohammad Ershad, President of the Maldives Ma'moun Abdul Qayyoum, Japan's Emperor Hirohito, Her Majesty Queen Beatrix of Holland, King Birendra of Nepal, the Supreme Soviet Council and Romanian President Nicolai Ceausescu. He received

congratulations from the presidents of Switzerland, Sierra Leone, Sri Lanka, Czechoslova-

King Hussein also received a congratulatory cable from the United Nations' secretary general, Mr. Javier Perez de Cuellar.

kia, West Germany, South

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The King also received cables of congratulations from King Bhumibol Adulyadej of Thailand, Cypriot President Cyprous Kyprianou, United Arab Emirates (UAE) Vice-President and Prime Minister Sheikh Rashed Ibn Sa'id Al Maktoum, Qatari Crown Prince and Defence Minister Sheikh Hamad Ibn Khalifeh Al Thani, Bahraini Prime

Minister Sheikh Khalifeh Ibn Sal-

man Al Khalifeh, Bahraini Issa Al Khalifeh and Greek President Christos Sartzetakis. Congratulatory cables also were received from Commander of the Palestine Liberation Army in Jordan Brigadier Na'im Al Khatib

the iftar were Chief Islamic Justice Sheikh

Mohammad Mheilan, Upper and Lower House

members, Islamic and Christian religious leaders,

ministries' under secretaries, directors of govern-

ment departments, provincial governors, presi-

dents of Jordanian universities, heads of municipal councils, representatives of charitable societies,

of professional and sports and youth associations,

and of the economic sector, leaders and personali-

ties of the Palestinian refugee camps in the

country, and heads of diplomatic missions (Petra

and Commander of the Karameh Forces Lieutenant Colonel Jebril



His Majesty King Hussein Monday attended an iftar banquet hosted by Prime Minister Zaid Rifai at the Prime Ministry on the occasion of Independence Day. The banquet was attended by Prince Mohammad, the Personal Representative of His Majesty the King, Speaker of the Upper House of Parliament Ahmad Al Lawzi, Speaker of the Lower House of Parliament Akef Al Favez. former prime ministers. Chief of the Royal Court Marwan Al Qasem, Court Minister Adnan Abu Odeh, Chief Chamberlain Prince Ra'd Ibn Zaid and the Armed Forces Commander-in-Chief General Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker. Also attending

Faithful begin watching for moon to end Ramadan

AMMAN (J.T.) - People will watch for the moon of Shawwal, the Arabic month falling after the fasting month of Ramadan, as of tonight. A communique issued by Chief Islamic Justice Sheikh Mohammad Mheilan called on all citizens to watch for the moon of Shawwal, which marks the end of the fasting month of Ramadan and the beginning of the 'Eid Al

Sheikh Mheilan invited Minister of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs Sheikh Abdul Aziz Al Khayyat, Al Fitr will fall on Wednesday, and senior officials; including totherwise it will be on Thursday.

Amman Mayor Abdul Ra'ouf Al Rawabdeh, Under Secretary of the Ministry of Interior Ahmad Aqaileh, Amman Governor Mohammad A! Amin and senior military and civil officials to join in watching for the moon of

Chief Islamic Justice also requested all Sharia court judges to arrange for opening Sharia courts on Tuesday evening to receive citizens who might see the moon of Shawwal. If the moon is seen tonight, then it means that 'Eid

Policewomen's institute moves to new headquarters

AMMAN (J.T.) — The Jorda- cious lecture halls and rooms for district of Amman, after the Eid Al Fitr holiday, according to a

report in Al Ra'i Arabic daily. The report quoted a spokesman for the Public Security Department (PSD) as saying that the new headquarters have better facilities for training and housing

the policewomen. The new premises contains spa-

nian Policewomen Institute on sports and military training, and Jabal Hussein will move to a new can accommodate 500 trainees, location at Hay Nazzal, another the report said. It added that the present policewomen's uniforms will be

changed also but this will not take place before 1989. According to the spokesman, the present institute on Jabal Hussein will serve as a security centre for the Jabal Al Hussein district, one of the largest in the capital.

American inquiry team arrives in Baghdad seeking answers

(Continued from page 1) for two days, the sources added. The sources said the team arrived from Bahrain. But they would not say if they visited the crippled frigate, anchored three nautical miles off Bahrain. The puzzles the team will seek

to resolve include: - Why was the attacking warplane in the central sector of the Gulf, an area outside the usual hunting ground of Iraqi fighterbombers looking to attack Ira-

- How many Iraqi planes were

nian tankers?

- Why did the Iraqi pilot, or pilots, ignore two warning signals transmitted by the Stark which identified the ship as a U.S.

Meanwhile, U.S. Senator James Sasser flew home Monday after a lightning visit to Kuwait to

istering Kuwaiti tankers under the American flag to protect them against Iranian attack. As Mr. Sasser flew out of

Khalifa Al Sabah and the minis-Bahrain, a delegation of staff ter of state for foreign affairs, members of the Armed Services Saud Al Ossaimi. Committee was heading for the Stark for a deeper probe of ters in Kuwait that Mr. Sasser whether the warship could have assured the Kuwaiti leadership of averted the Iraqi-fired missiles. the U.S. determination to protect freedom of navigation in the Gulf.

The Democratic senator from Tennessee told a press conference Sunday that he had been unable to tell whether the Stark could have prevented the Iraqi missile attack.

He also said the United States was interested in seeing its Western allies and traditional friends among the Arab Gulf states share the risks of guaranteeing freedom of navigation in the oil-rich region against the spillovers of the Iran-Iraq war.

In Kuwait, Mr. Sasser had games the risks involved in reg- three separate meetings with the

King returns from Saudi visit

-- (Continued from page 1)

Upon his departure from Saudi Arabia, King Hussein sent a cable to King Fahd expressing profound appreciation for the hospitality accorded to him and the Jordanian delegation during their visit, and the opportunity the visit offered for holding talks on matters of interest to the Arab

The King described the talks countries' efforts for achieving

He said that he was proud of King Fahd's role in exerting efforts for ending Arab differences and re-establishing Arab solidarity in the service of the Arab and Islamic nations.

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Mr. Kinnock himself, cam-

paigning in Glasgow, Scotland, told newsmen: "What I said is

what is common knowledge in

military quarters and political

quarters ... that the occupation of

Western Europe would be unten-

He added: "We think it's im-

portant to keep defence on the

agenda because we consider that

the defence of our country and

the participation in NATO is very

occupied."

Kinnock remarks spark row

(Continued from page 1) States to remove its nuclear weapons was finding little favour with the electorate.

In a television interview on Sunday, Mr. Kinnock said that the choice facing Britain in the event of attack was "either exterminating everything that you stand for or using the resources you've got to make any occupation totally untenable."

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, asked to comment on Mr. Kinnock's remarks, said: "It

Weinberger reassures Europe

(Continued from page 1) British Defence Minister George Younger said after a NATO meeting in Norway this month that additional bombers and submarines would be among steps considered by NATO to maintain its policy of flexible response to attack.

Mr. Weinberger said Monday Western allies should also dismiss fears that the United States would be split from its Western allies by any agreement to re-move SS-20s and U.S. mediumrange Pershing-2 and cruise missiles from Europe.

With over 330,000 American troops stationed here (Western Europe), the idea of a Europe de-coupled from America is as

absurd as it is wrong," he said. Tuesday's semi-annual meeting of the NATO defence planning committee to discuss conventional warfare preparedness follows a meeting of NATO's nuclear planning group at Stavanger, Norway, to try to work out a common NATO position on superpower

nuclear arms talks. No such common position has been reached yet, although the defence ministers at Stavanger called on the Soviet Union to remove all of its SS-20s from both Europe and Asia.

joint Arab action.

join in protecting supplies through the strategic waterway. He mentioned Britain, France and Italy specifically. Mr. Sasser ruled out cooperation with Moscow, saying it was self-sufficient in oil. seems to me like a policy of surrender because you can't have

At his news conference shortly before leaving for Washington, Mr. Sasser said the evidence so far pointed overwhelmingly to a

As to what could have been done to foil the attack, he said: "There's been no determination

on that." Meanwhile, top U.S. and Iranian officials disagree on whether putting U.S. flags on Kuwaiti tankers in the Gulf will further risk U.S. involvement in the Iran-

Iraq war.
The U.S. move has worried

will give the impression that the United States is taking sides in the Gulf war.

"If my country has the intention of attacking a Kuwaiti tanker, it will continue with that policy, regardless of whose flag it is carrying. And we hope that an impartial flag will not be in-volved," Said Rajaie-Khorassani, the Iranian ambassador to the United Nations, said Sunday on the U.S. television network ABC's "This Week With David Brinkley.

U.S. Defence Secretary Caspar Weinberger, speaking on the U.S. television network NBC's "Meet the Press," said the U.S. support for Kuwait would discourage Iran from attacking out of fear of a possible U.S. retaliatory strike.

Iran, I'm sure, would not want to take the consequences," Mr. Weinberger said. "But the simple fact of the matter is that Congress as to the extent of the they (the Iranians) have not; with risk involved in escorting Kuwaiti all of their irrationality, as yet vessels, to examine questions of attacked American ships -American warships or American commercial ships.'

Mr. Weinberger also warned that the United States will retaliate if Iran attacks a U.S. ship in the Gulf.

"We would regard it as a hostile act which would be responded to immediately or even prior thereto," Mr. Weinberger said. However, Mr. Weinberger stressed that the recent U.S.

pledge to protect Kuwait oil tankers in the Gulf by bringing them under the U.S. flag was intended to deter a war rather than start He said he believed the U.S.

"resolve to respond to any kind of hostile activity" had "very much improved" the chances of Kuwait's tankers passing through the Gulf region unbarmed. 'The question really is, are we

strong enough and do we have enough resolve to take the actions necessary to deter war," Mr. Weinberger said.

"And I think we are and I think thus far we have displayed very clearly our determination to take some congressmen, who fear it that kind of action," he said.

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Reason to be hopeful

WHAT better occasion is there than Lailat Al Oadr (the night between the 26th and 27th of Ramadan, when the Holy Koran was revealed to the Prophet Mohammad) to sue for Arab solidarity and attempt to close Arab and Islamic ranks? That is exactly what His Majesty King Hussein did when he travelled to Mecca on the 27th of Ramadan, the Holy Month of fasting, to both perform the Umra and to hold talks with King Fahd Ibn Abdul Aziz of Saudi Arabia on means to settle inter-Arab differences and prepare the way for an Arab summit. One would have wished that all the Arab leaders had made such a pilgrimage at this critical time in Arab history. But it seems this wish will have to wait a little longer before it can be realised.

The prospects for holding the long-awaited 13th Arab summit are better than they have been for some years, according to Arab League Secretary-General Chadli Klibi, who announced recently that most Arab countries have agreed to attend the summit and that the chances of holding it before the end of this year look very good. "Inshallah," we say, in unison with all those Arabs who have been yearning for Arab solidarity for so long and who are collectively uttering this word with maximum solemness and piety.

In a few days 'Eid Al Fitr will begin. It will be time for spiritual meditation and determination to move forward in the path of righteousness and brotherly relations between all Arabs. It also could very well be a time for much rejoicing for all of us if the foundation laid by Their Majesties King Hussein and King Fahd Ibn Abdul Aziz in their Mecca talks could be further strengthened and consolidated by the other Arab

Nothing can strengthen inter-Arab relations more than the solution of outstanding problems between Iraq and Syria on the one hand, between Syria and the Palestinians on the other hand and between Morocco and Algeria on another level. The elimination of such differences would constitute the pillars on which the edifice of true and strong Arab relations could be

We can only be confident that His Majesty's trip to Saudi Arabia on Sunday has contributed towards this end, and that Amman and Riyadh would continue their determined efforts to eliminate disagreements among Arab states. All in all the future for inter-Arab relations can only look better and brighter. And what better occasion to be confident and hopeful over positive developments in the Arab World than during this Holy Month and 'Eid Al Fitr.

ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

Al Ra'i: Our dearest occasion

THE Jordanian family today lives through its dearest occasion — the anniversary or Independence Day which came on May 25, 1946. Jordanians take pride in this day which bears sublime meanings and reminds them of the struggles and the sacrifice which were offered, and the martyrs who fell in the process of winning independence and freedom. The anniversary is a reminder that all the efforts which have been exerted in the past led to freedom for the country and delight for the future generations. We are indebted to those who struggled and helped us to enjoy independence and freedom. Since 1946, the Jordanian people have been living through joy and suffering, through hope and pain, and through steadfastness and sacrifice but in genuine cohesion and unity under the Hashemite leadership. Jordan has served and continues to serve as an edifice of freedom and a dam that repels aggression and invaders, and a protector of the Arab Homeland. Jordanians have the right to be joyful today for what has been achieved under the Hashemite leadership and have the right to hope and aspire to greater delight when the usurped Arab land is returned to its lawful owners.

Al Dustour: Renewed pledge

JORDAN today celebrates Independence Day with the Jordanian people renewing the pledge for continued work and struggle and allegiance to the leader of this country. This is a dear occasion for the Jordanian people who look back with pride over the past years during which great efforts were exerted and sacrifices offered for the achievement of prosperity. Over the past four decades Jordan has been struggling for development but and has been true to its national commitments and sincere to the principles of the Great Arab Revolt and careful to implement the mission of the leaders of that revolt. Jordan has inherited the Great Arab Revolt, and the Kingdom's record of achievements over the past 40 years point clearly to the fact that the leaders of this country have been bent on achieving the revolt's objectives. On the Arab front, Jordan, under King Hussein, has been and will continue to be a catalyst for Arab unity, striving hard to help Arabs achieve their aspirations. This anniversary is an occasion for the Jordanian family to renew the pledge for further efforts and sacrifice for an even brighter future.

Sawt Al Shaab: Freedom and unity

THE independence of Jordan came on May 25, 1946, at a time when the Zionists were preparing to usurp Arab land in Palestine and dangers were in the offing threatening the Arab Nation. Jordan was fortunate to be led by the Hashemite family with its sincere determination to defend the Arab Homeland and to bring prosperity for the country. Under King Hussein Jordan has been striving to achieve the objectives of the Great Arab Revolt which aimed at attaining freedom and unity for the Arabs. The Hashemites who bore the standards of that revolt took upon themselves to pursue the struggle to defend the Arab territory and to establish a nucleus for Arab unity. Over the past 40 years, the Hashemites have been able to create economic and social development that serves as an example for other countries in the region. On the Arab front Jordan has been pursuing all possible efforts for unifying Arab ranks and strengthening Arab solidarity, helping the Arab countries in its wars against the common enemy.

Killing Arabs, rather than subduing them, is simpler for Israelis

By Hugh Schofield

SINCE the beginning of Decem- may open fire. The first is if a ber 1986 seven Palestinians have commander feels that the lives of been shot dead by Israeli soldiers his men are in danger. The during demonstrations in the occupied territories. Tens of others were injured. Five of the who is running away. In both fatalities occurred when troops opened fire with live ammunition twice that he is going to shoot, on crowds of stone-throwing youths. The army claims that in each case standing regulations were observed, and soldiers shot only when their lives were in danger. But the sheer number of the casualties, and the seeming ease with which soldiers were allowed to open fire, have drawn unprecedented international criticism. They have also prompted widespread calls for the adoption of more humane, and indeed more conventional, methods of riot control

The criticism has centred on three key questions. First, what are the standing procedures. apparently so rigorously adhered to, governing the use of live ammunition against demonstrators? Second, what intermediate measures are there available to to live bullets, and why are they seemingly so ineffectual? And third, why does Israel still refuse to set up specially trained riotsquads, on the Northern Ireland or South Korean models, for coping with violent demonstrations, but continues to use ordinary army reservists, ill-trained and ill-equipped for the job?

For all three questions Israel has produced an arsenal of wellrehearsed and logical rejoinders. But, as with so much of Israeli policy in the occupied territories, the logic is grounded on a very limited and self-serving array of premises. For the Palestinian, whose life may be ultimately at stake, the Israelis betray little more than a cynical and contemptuous disregard.

According to the handbook issued to soldiers serving in the

second is if a soldier has clearly identified a "security suspect" cases, the soldier must first shout and then fire warnings shots in the air. Only after that may he shoot at the target, and then directing his aim at the lower part of the body.

Disregarding that the seven demonstrators who were killed, as well as many of the wounded. were hit in parts of the body that can only be described as upper, the fact still remains that these guidelines, even if observed to the letter, leave open a huge latitude for interpretation. When, for instance, is a soldier to regard his life in danger? And what precisely constitutes a "security suspect"?

Why does Israel still refuse to set up spe-Israeli troops before they resort cially trained riot squads?

> Some light on the first of these problems was shed by two incidents reported recently in the Israeli press. On 11 February Joel Greenberg of the Jerusalem Post described a clash that took place the day before between troops and students at Al Najah University in Nablus. The soldiers, he wrote, "wore helmets and stood behind walls or out of range of most of the stones thrown, while others easily dodged stones that landed near them." They did not appear to be "in an immediate life-threatening situation," but nevertheless "relied heavily on live fire to disperse the crowd."

An even more revealing insight

Ori Nir of Haaretz, who by chance overheard a discussion between a group of soldiers and their commander. The men were reconstructing an incident in which a soldier had been grabbed from behind by a young Arab. The soldier had quickly turned. cocking his gun, and the Arab had been easily wrestled to the ground and taken off. But the commander impressed on the soldier that he would have been perfectly within his rights to kill the man. "People would have thanked you for it," he is quoted as saying. "It doesn't make a difference whether he was armed or not. In such cases don't think twice about opening fire." If these are the types of incident when an Israeli soldier may legitimately regard his life as in danger and open fire on Palestinians, then the extent of the casualties of the last five months becomes

applies to the second of the two provisions for opening fire clear identification of a fleeing security suspect. Under military law anybody taking part in a demonstration is committing a security offence, even if he is timidly mouthing slogans at the back of the crowd. Anybody therefore, at least on paper, is liable to be fired as if he disregards a warning. Or do soldiers only open fire on suspected rockthrowers? Again, the terms of the regulations allow for a worryingly liberal interpretation.

suddenly more explicable.

A similar flexibility, it appears,

The Israeli army prides itself on its exhaustive investigative procedures following the use of live ammunition. Each case is thoroughly examined, and if a soldier is found to have been in breach of the regulations, then he is open to formal charges. But on no occasion in the last five months have such charges been brought. Nor, until there is a keen shooting at Arabs because they know they can get away with

Israel does have a range of "intermediate" responses at its disposal for coping with disturb-ances in the occupied territories, including tear-gas, rubber bullets and water-cannons. The first two are used regularly; the last was seen for the first time in the outbreak of unrest in mid-Februarv in Gaza. However, the use of these measures has been restricted because of doubts over their effectiveness, and by limitations in their availability.

According to the army, teargas is occasionally useful, but it is completely dependent on the wind. Moreover, demonstrators have developed an efficient sys-tem for dealing with tear-gas grenades, which they either douse with buckets of sand and water, or else, occasionally, lob back at the army. The army, hopelessly unprepared and without masks, beats a hasty retreat. Palestinians also carry raw onions for countering the effects of the gas.

As for rubber bullets, the army points out that their range is no more than 30 or 40 inetres, while a demonstrator can hurl a rock considerably further than that. And water-cannons, while effective, are unwieldy and unsuitable for the winding alleyways of Palestinian refugee camps. For these reasons, and because on budgetary grounds supplies of the equipment are not always available in the necessary quantities, soldiers soon find themselves with little choice but to resort to live ammunition.

Aside from the cynicism of a policy that puts lives in danger for the sake of money (of which more later), there must also be the suspicion that Israel is shirking its responsibility in not devising and adopting less dangerous methods issued to soldiers serving in the west Bank and Gaza Strip, there are two occasions on which they observed by Greenberg and by control by Gree

Many Israeli politicians recognise this fact, and with luck the growing debate could lead to changes. As the minister for communications, Professor Amnon Rubinstein, put it recently: "Today there are means to confront this problem without the need to use live ammunition on demonstrators... Israel, with its military potential and its ability to improvise, must follow other countries and acquire such means ... It is vital not only for the Arabs; it is

also vital for us."

The final question, why Israel has not created special not control units but continues to use what are in effect battle field tactics to subdue demonstrators, is potentially the most controversial, bearing as it does on Israel's very perception of its role in, and relationship with, the West Bank and Gaza. There are after all important political implications in setting up special riot units. As long as the regular army is used to control the territories, it can at least be argued that Israel still sees the land as occupied, perhaps temporarily. The move to civil units could be interpreted as a step towards internalising the whole problem. While for that reason it might be welcomed by the right, the move has been considered up to now too portentous to provoke any change in the

That, however, is not the reason — or certainly not the main reason — why for 20 years the defence establishment has used regular units of army reservists, as well as small detachments of border guards, to control the territories. The results of that policy have been all too plainover the past few months. Time and again, young and inexperienced soldiers, trained for conventional confrontations with conventional armies, have found themselves vastly outnumbered by crowds of rock-throwing boys. Scared, they respond in the only way they know how - with con- London.

ventional battlefield tactics. As critics of the policy have tirelessly pointed out, properly trained riot squads would simply not have allowed themselves to fall into that sort of trap. The prime rule in these circumstances is to avoid direct contact with rioters until sufficient forces have been gathered, and then to make lightning grab raids into the crowd, protected by helmets, clubs and shields. It may be brutal stuff, but at least no one gets

killed. Israel knows all this perfectly well. According to the army, the reason it has not adopted what is after all a perfectly conventional practice is not that it does not recognise its effectiveness, but simply because it cannot afford to. It is all a question of priorities: In an ideal world, the army says, Israel would indeed have special squads for riot control. But it is not an ideal world. Israel does not have the money, or the manpower and time, to train such units. Within its limited resources, the Israeli defence forces must continue to be trained the way they are now - to confront Arab armies, not public disorders.

This, then, is what lies at the bottom of Israel's tactics in the territories — budgetary priorities. It is of course the same problem that confronts every other sector of Israeli life industry, agriculture, the kibbutzim, the universities. Why be so surprised that it effects the occupied territories in this way too?
The answer is because in this instance people are dying - people who, if the Israeli government was prepared to spend a certain amount of money, to tighten some of its regulations, and generally to show the same concern for Palestinian lives as it does for its own people, might otherwise very well have lived.

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Who will succeed Nakasone?

By Mari Taketa The Associated Press

TOKYO — Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone, defeated in his attempt to raise taxes and faced by economic deterioration and overseas trade friction, is widely expected to step down when his term expires in October.

But his Liberal Democratic Party, which has dominated Japanese politics since World leadership role.

The only question, according to political observers in Japan, is who will replace Nakasone as president of the Conservative Party and prime minister of the

Nakasone's popularity has faded with the stubborn rise of the yen and his recent failed attempt to push through a sales tax. Some speculate that Nakasone, 68, might resign before the scheduled end of his fifth year in office in October.

The Japanese call the three most likely successors the new leaders, though they are neither new nor young. While they probably would not change party poliry dramatically, all three would likely be less controversial than the outspoken Nakasone and more concerned with rule by con-

The three main contenders in the coming LDP race are:

— Kiichi Miyazawa, Naka-

sone's 66-year-old finance minister and the man regarded as the most intellectual of the trio. His image has been tarnished by his close association with the sales tax and the soaring Japanese yen, which has hurt parts of Japan's economy. But Miyazawa, who comes from a bureaucratic background and speaks fluent English, is viewed as the man most capable of dealing with Japan's changing economic picture and its problems with trading partners.

— Shintaro Abe, 63, chairman

of the LDP's executive council. Abe started out as a newspaper reporter, signed on a secretary to former Prime Minister Nobusuke Kishi and married Kishi's daughter. In four years as Nakasone's foreign minister he made 39 trips abroad, his influence rising steadily until his globetrotting di-plomacy ended in a cabinet reshuffle last summer.

 Noboru Takeshita, 63, LDP secretary general. The son of a sake brewer. Takeshita taught English before he entered politics. As head of the influential finance ministry, he presided over the initial stages of the yen's coordinated rise against the U.S. dollar until Nakasone gave him the senior party post last summer. Takeshita is seen as a team player who values the Japanese tradition of consensus, but he has little international experience.

Prime minister, president duel in constitutional crisis

By Victoria Graham The Associated Press

NEW DELHI, India — India's prime minister, privileged son of armed forces commander-in-chief a political dynasty, is feuding with the president, a self-made and battle-scarred political boss, in a formally designates the prime duel that soon may escalate from minister, and some Indians sugparry to thrust to constitutional.

The public basis for the conflict between Rajiv Gandhi and Zail Gandhi has violated the constitu-

Behind the scenes, however, the battle between the 42-yearold Gandhi and 71-year-old Singh, both members of India's long-dominant Congress Party, is a battle for power at a time when Singh's term is running out and Gandhi's Congress Party faces a possible setback in an important state election.

It is a clash of personality, generation, politics and philosophy — and the first time since India's independence in 1947 that disagreements between president and prime minister have become so publicly acrimonions.

Columnist Rajinder Puri of the Sunday Observer concluded: We are approaching the biggest

political crisis ever in India." The presidency is a largely ceremonial post; the prime minis-

ter really runs the government. But the president wields moral authority and some power. The constitution makes him

and gives him power to block legislation. The president also gest Singh might try to use the constitution to dismiss Gandhi. That idea, largely discounted

for now, casts a pall over a Singh is the president's claim that Gandhi government already beleaguered by charges of kicktion by not keeping him informed backs on arms deals, mismanageon domestic and foreign-policy ment and troubles with Sikh developments, an assertion Gan-radicals in Punjab state and with India's neighbours, Sri Lanka and

Gandhi lashed out at the president, unmistakably though not by name, at a massive rally May 16 when he denounced "forces of subversion against India" and lumped all his problems and detractors together as virtual traitors.

He clearly meant Singh as "the person who raised the question of the non-fulfillment of the con-

"No one can weaken our constitution," Gandhi said, adding that the prime minister would not be responsible "to any individual" — meaning Singh.

Insiders say Gandhi distrusts Singh because of his earlier role in murky manoeuverings to elevate fundamentalist Sikh

wale — later termed India's most dangerous terrorist — to a position of power in troubled Punjab state. Bhindranwale was killed in an army attack on Punjab's Golden Temple in 1984.

In addition, the rough-edged Singh's humble background reportedly led Gandhi and the youthful technocrats around him to write off the president after they unexpectedly came to power in November 1984, following the assassination of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi. She was Rajiv's mother and daughter of India's first prime minister, Jawaharlal

When he took over, the British-educated, internationally minded Rajiv, an ex-airline pilot, was largely inexperienced in Indian politics, more used to blazers and neckties than to the Nehru jacket that politicians bere

By contrast, Singh grew up the son of a poor Sikh carpenter in Punjab, received no English education, but excelled in Sikh religious schools and earned the title "giani," or "learned one." He rose through the rough-

and-tumble of Punjab politics to become the state's chief minister, the top elected official, in 1972-1977, and federal home minister in 1980-1982.

The Gandhi-Singh showdown highlights what critics describe as

personal style and crude treatment of high-ranking officials.

The feud broke into the open

last December when the president refused to sign into law a controversial mail censorship bill that Gandhi's government said would help fight violence in Punjab. Singh also complained he was

not informed on India's differences with Pakistan, on the Punjab situation, even on the official report on Mrs. Gandhi's assassination by her Sikh bodyguards. In March, Gandhi told parlia-

issues of national interest are kept away from the president. Ministers have been meeting the president continuously."

But Singh quickly followed with a letter to Gandhi, leaked to the press, that dismissed these. assurances and said: "Certain well-established conventions have not been followed. ... Before your visits abroad and after your return, I have not been briefed. ... Even on important domestic issues, I have not been kept informed."

The feud got hotter still when charges arose over kickbacks allegedly paid Indian middlemen on arms contracts, and Singh exercised his constitutional right to information about a \$1.7-billion Swedish arms deal. News-

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preacher Jarnail Singh Bhindran. the prime minister's high-handed papers reported Gandhi refused, saying Singh had been told enough.

The Sunday Observer quoted reliable sources close to Singh as saying that if Gandhi wanted a stupid yes-man as president, "you could have put a donkey there to do the job instead."

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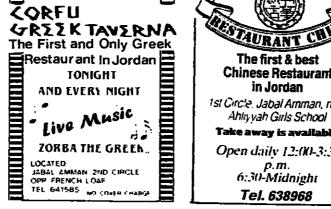
Both camps are awaiting the outcome of elections next month in the state of Haryana, where Gandhi's Congress Party candidates are seen as underdogs. Gandhi suffered two state electoral defeats in March.

If the Congress Party loses or wins only marginally, Singh might make a strategic thrust.

Gandhi evidently hopes to hold off the president until his term expires July 24 and a new president is elected by votes in parliament and the state assemblies. Singh, vague on whether he is running for re-election, was recently quoted in the Sunday Observer as saying, "I will not relent. ... It is no longer between individuals, but between the president and prime minister."

It seems unlikely Singh could unseat Gandhi. But the Indian Express newspaper said Thursday the Congress Party leadership is concerned Singh might create a political-constitutional crisis — by suddenly quitting the post with an emotional appeal to the

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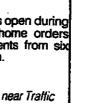
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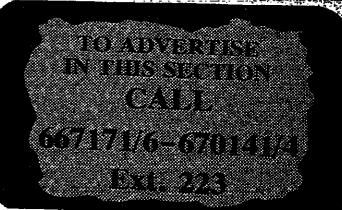
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Exocet is big seller among French weapons

By Sydney Rubin The Associated Press

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PARIS - The Exocet that hit the USS Stark in the Gulf, killing 37 Americans, is in demand workdwide because it is accurate, reliable and hard to detect or intercent, military experts have said.

The air-to-ship AM39 Exocet that his the American frigate is the invention of French arms contractor Acrospatiale in collaboration with the French

Since it was put into production in 1980, the Exocet has become one of France's best-selling

By the end of 1981, it had been ordered by 25 nations including Iraq, Peru, Pakistan and Syria, according to the London-based International Institute for Strategic Studies. French defence officials would not say how much

A spokesman for the French

defence ministry, speaking on condition of anonymity in line with government policy, declined to provide the names of countries currently buying Exocets, but said 2,000 had been sold since they were first marketed in 1980.

"It is a very, very important missile to us," the spokesman said. "It is very accurate, and when you launch the missile you know it will hit the target 99 per cent of the time. Everyone knows

The IISS's Don Kerr said French sales of the missile were boosted after the 1982 Falklands war in which the Exocet was used with devastating effect by Argentina against the British navy. The British warship Sheffield was set afire and sunk by an Exocet.

"Since then, the missile had become extremely popular becuase it is difficult for radar to detect, impossible to see with the naked eye and hard to hit with conventional gunfire," Kerr said

The AM39 model descends from a jetfighter, like the Iraqi F-1 jet, to fly by radar about 6 to 8 feet above the sea's surface. The missile is extremely accurate and designed to hit the side of a ship in its operations room, the

nerve centre of a military vessel.

The missile that hit the Stark, travelling just under the speed of sound at 10 miles a minute, slammed into the left side of the ship about 20 feet above the waterline. It hit just below the ship's brain, its combat information

The AM39, one of four types of Exocet missiles made by Aerospatiale, has a substantial blast and fragment warhead.

"Try to imagine what would happen in a computer room which is what an operations centre on a ship is - if you hit it with a bomb then threw a couple of hundreds pounds of bot, sharp fragments in moving at a high

velocity, cutting through anything in their path," Kerr said.

"It would certainly put a computer room out of commission. It doesn't do people a lot of good either.'

The French defence ministry declined to comment on the use of the AM39 against the U.S.

The only missile competing with the Exocet in performance is the U.S.-made Harpoon, initially put in operation in 1978, Kerr Neither the French nor Kerr

would speculate as to whether the Stark was adequately equipped to spot and destroy the AM39. But U.S. officials in Washington have

The Stark, a guided-missile frigate, is equipped with a Phalanx close-in weapon system, comprised of radar-controlled 20mm Gatting guns designed to hurl 3.000 rounds a minute at incom-

early that Sunday morning may

At 5:30 a.m. police received a

call from an hysterical man,

screaming: "My wife committed suicide. She jumped out the

At the scene, police found Ana

Mendieta dead on the roof of a

Chinese restaurant, one flight

above street level. A sample of

her blood later showed a high

Upstairs, officers found a mes-

sy flat, empty bottles, and Carl Andre, scratches on his face and

Andre told investigators he and

his wife had been drinking and

quarrelled. She went into the

bedroom while he watched televi-

When he went in later, he

discovered an open window and

her body lying 33 storeys below,

The affair has divided some

groups in the New York art

Several big names — including painter Frank Stella — stood bail

for Andre when a local judge

refused to accept works of art in

a lot of people felt the same way about him." said Nodal.

"It's a very emotional thing. A

remain a mystery.

level of alcohol.

window.

"Conservation work is con-tinuous work," Tripathi told With no eyewitnesses and little direct evidence, the events of the hot and humid Saturday night that preceded Mendieta's death

The survey has under its juris-

These range from the western Indian sites of the Indus Valley civilisation of the second millennium B.C. to the imposing struc-

tures of Moghul India.
Others include popular tourist spots such as Delhi's 13th-century 71-metre high Qatab Minar, the erotic temples at Khajuraho, the Ajanta and Ellora Buddhist temple caves and the 16th-century

Popularity and India's industrialisation have taken their toll on Agra, the Moghul capital and site of the Taj Mahal, built in

The Taj Mahal has been suffering from over-exposure, both to too many tourists and to pollution caused by a ring of 250 coal-fired

India fighting the crumbling of its history

NEW DELHI -- Every day a bit of Indian history crumbles away. A fragment of marble falling from the Taj Mahal, a fleck of colour lost from an ancient cave painting, a forgotten tomb eroding into scrub — time and the perils of modern life are taking their toll of 5,000 years of Indian civilisation.

One of the greatest threats to these monuments comes from tourists. Millions of Indians make pilgrimages to religious and historical sites every year and more than a million foreigners visited India last year.

Officials say restrictions might have to be imposed to preserve some of the more famous land-

"We have to be careful," said Ramesh Chandra Tripathi, director-general of the Archaeological Survey of India, which safeguards the nation's most valuable monuments and excavates more of the

Reuters in an interview. "It's like the medical check-up of an old

diction 3,521 protected monumenis, about 5,000 individual buildings, 10 of which are on the UNESCO "world heritage" list. long been asked to cover their shoes to protect the marble

Portuguese colonial city of Old

A similar number of lesser monuments are protected and maintained by state governments, although India has so much history that ancient tombs and temples are sometimes allowed to decay, ignored or forgotten.

1634.

"We're constantly monitoring the environment," he said, adding that further measures to protect the structure were also

industrial pollution, which Indian

threatened to discolour the

mausoleum and loosen the mar-

ble. Recent visitors have picked

up fragments of white marble that

had apparently fallen from the

Tripathi said a UNESCO team

who recently surveyed the Taj

Mahal and other threatened

Mumtaz.

facade

taken.

Jama Masjid in Delhi: Indian consevationists fear at this 300-year-old marble mosque and many other valuable monuments in the country (J.T. file photo) that increasing air pollution may be gnawing away being studied.

foundries built in recent decades Also at risk, according to rearound emperor Akbar's old cent reports, are the 2,000-year-Visitors to the famed monuold Buddhist cave paintings at ment to Mumtaz Mahal, beloved Ajanta, on the Deccan plateau wife of emperor Shahjahan, have 400 kilometres north-east of Bombay.

These remarkable paintings by monks who established a com-Officials are now considering munity in the remote hills depict Buddhist themes in the civilisapreventing visitors from touching the exquisite precious stone intion that flourished from the lavs on the walls as well as putting second century B.C. to the seventh century A.D.

off-limits the crypt, which holds the remains of Shahjahan and The 29 caves forming the complex were lost for centuries but were discovered in 1819. Art Belts of trees have been planted to mitigate the effects of historians consider the paintings among the finest examples of press reports have said Buddhist art.

But success brings its own problems, and the weekly news magazine India Today called the caves a "monument to neglect," a charge denied by Archaeological Survey officials.

Visitors to the caves, however. have noticed deterioration and damage to the paintings, some monuments concluded that the caused by time and nature, and some by visitors - up to 5,000 mausoleum was not threatened but that precautions should be people tramp through them every day in the high tourist season.

India Today published photographs from 1930 that clearly showed the paintings had faded considerably since then. The profit.

caused by too many people as well as damage by insects and bats had endangered the paint-

Lesser monuments simply seem to be forgotten. Even around Delhi, tombs and disused temples, some hundreds of years old, are decaying with no apparent effort being made to save

In the western desert state of Rajasthan, a mostly deserted village of unique 18th and 19th century mechants' houses decorated with elaborate wall paintings is collapsing into rubble.

A local hotel owner believes

the houses, nearly all of which are privately owned, will not survive this generation.

Conservation is a problem for any Third World country, even one as large as India, with scarce resources having to be painstakingly allocated and sometimes difficult decisions made between preservation and development.

The Archaeological Survey, Tripathi said, had been discussing how to protect India's monuments with tourism officials.

With the government committed to expanding tourism, it is a question of pitting history against

Murder or suicide? Artist's death plunge poses mystery

By Jonathan Lyons Reuter

NEW YORK - Cuban-born arrist Ana Mendieta once doused herself with blood, pulled a sheet over her head, lay down on a rooftop, and posed for photographs.

Eleven years later, in a chilling example of life imitating art, police carried her crumbled body from the rooftop of a Chinese restaurant in New York's Greenwich Village, 33 storeys beneath her open bedroom window.

The aftershock of her plunge on Sept. 8, 1985 - and the questions that continue to surround it - rocked the New York art world.

Was it a suicide by an impatient, hot-tempered artist who at age 35 had despaired of ever making it? Or was it the murder of a

woman, finally coming into her own as an artist, at the hands of ber husband, minimalist sculpture pioneer Carl Andre? Andre is due in court on May

20 for a preliminary hearing on a third indictment for the murder of his wife. The first two were thrown out on procedural

Armed with largely circumstantial evidence - including testimony from a doorman who says he heard a woman scream. "No, no," followed by a loud crash overhead - prosecutors say this is their last attempt to put Andre, now 50, on trial.

"This is the third time, this is it," said Mary de Bourbon, spokeswoman for the Manhattan

Andre, through his attorney, declined comment on the case. "Carl Andre is a private person," said the lawyer, Jack Hof-

finger, adding the artist is continuing to work in New York "as normally as possible."

Andre has told police his wife went into their bedroom after they quarrelled. He went in later, he said, but found only an open

Andre and Mendieta lived together for several years before marrying in January 1985, eight months before her death.

The fall, say friends and fellow artists, killed a woman who was full of life - not the type they would expect to commit suicide.

Ana Mendieta had overcome a turbulent childhood --- her family sent her and her sister to a U.S. foster home after revolution broke out in Cuba - largely through her discovery of art. "When I made art — whether

it was good or bad, or (the teacher didn't like it or whatever - I felt I had a power," she said in a 1980 interview. Before her death, she had been producing "primitive-looking female forms, totems" in carved

wood and earth, said Al Nodal, exhibitions director at the Otis Art Institute in Los Angeles. In contrast to the well-estab-

from the pre-interchange period

to study, but most of them are

from Argentina's temperate re-

gions, very different and very far

from the tropical areas that anim-

als moving from the continent to

Now a major research expedi-

tion in Colombia, led by Duke University's Richard Kay, in cooperation with INGEOMI-

NAS, a Colombian government agency, and supported by the National Geographic Society, is turning up evidence that may

help provide some answers. Kay

The fossils include primates, birds, fish, hoofed animals.

snakes, anteaters, armadillos,

crocodiles, and members of

several uniquely South American

families that lived in what is now

Colombia's Magdalena River Valley about 15 million years

Inevitably, they also have

raised new questions. For exam-

ple, creatures called condylarths,

ancestral to all later South Amer-

ican hoofed mammals, became

extinct in Argentina 45 or 50

than 1,000 fossil specimens.

his team have found more

another had to pass through.

to make a real name for herself. But things were beginning to happen: A prize, a first major comprosecutor's office. mission a year at the prestigious American Academy in Rome.

"Her career was going full steam ahead," said Nodal, who had commissioned Mendieta to create a piece for a Los Angeles park. She died before she could carry out the commission.

Andre turned to sculpture at the age of 30 after a stretch in the army and work as a railman. His detached style and low-key

content helped give birth to the minimalist movement, which uses simple materials such as bricks and stones, mostly in their natu-

The severity of the works has brought a measure of public derision. The Tate Gallery in London was roundly criticised for its purchase in 1976 of 120 bricks arranged in a rectangle.

The mayor of Hartford, Connecticut, was outraged by the state's 87,000-dollar purchase of "stone field sculpture" for a local park, saying the work - rough boulders scattered on the grass brought Hartford "international

But critics and curators have felt otherwise. In 1965 Andre had his first one-man show and his work has been displayed at a New York's Museum of Modern Art and in galleries in London, West lot of us loved her very much and Germany, Switzerland, Belgium,

in Colombia. How had it survived

A fossilised fish jaw was identi-

fied by Duke ichthyologist John

Lundberg as being from the same

species as a still-living South

American fish. But the fish today

is known only in the Amazon and Orinoco Rivers east of the

Andes, which rose in the last few

million years, and not in the

Magdalena River, between the central and eastern Andes

Badlands once fertile

and graduate student Rick Mad-

den are working, a badlands known

ago. Apparently there were many

trees and rivers, a wet, tropical

in the tropics," Kay explains.

ica were like just before the

The region where Kay, Cifelli,

did it survive so long?

for another 30 million years?

lieu of cash.

Kay, a primatologist, was in-itially interested in finding the remains of New World monkeys. Primates and rodents were the only two mammal groups that made their way into South America after it became an island continent. Somehow they arrived there about 30 million years ago and evolved independently of

their relatives elsewhere. But the remains of New World monkeys are scant; virtually all of the South American monkey fossils known previously could fit ranges. How did it leave the into a shoebox.

University of California paleontologists had collected fossils, including a variety of primate, in the Magdalena valley in the 1940s and 1950s, but no system of the collected formate, in the Magdalena valley in the system of the collected format in the c Magdalena for the others? How tematic collecting had been done there since then. Kay hoped that, today as the Tatacoa Desert, was since South American monkeys now live in the tropics, a prehisvery different 15 million years toric tropical region would yield

fossils of their ancestors. He was correct. He has found "If you've got a connection the remains of adult and juvenile emerging between North and monkeys that are the largest South America, the connection is known in South America, prodding him to reconsider the di-versity of New World primates The only way to know the full impact of the faunal interchange and how they got to be the way is to have a good idea of what the

they are. tropical animals of South Amer-But primates are just a small part of what has turned up. For example, the expedition found half a dozen bird fossils, the first good look at tropical South American birds of the time.

Can't fly till dry

The only one identified so far by Tab Rasmussen, a Duke specialist in fossile birds, is an anhinga, a bizarre creature that stabs fish with its beak. After getting wet, it can fly only after it climbs into a tree to dry off. Since the anhinga is known to have existed in North America at the same time, its presence in Colombia suggests that birds moved back and forth between the two continents even though land mammais could not.

These are the kinds of problems Kay's team hopes to solve as it works in Colombia for another three years. Specialists are studying the fossils, trying to fill in the blanks of how animals evolved in South America for millions of years in what one expert has termed "splendid isolation."

Colombian fossils unlock secrets of extinction of S. American animals questions are virtually unknown. Scientists have had many fossils from the pre-interchange period complete skeleton of a condylarth

lished Andre, Mendieta had yet France and The Netherlands.

By Boris Weintraub National Geographic

DURHAM, N.C. — To scientists, it is known as the great

faunal interchange.

For more than 90 million years, South America was an island continent. With only a few exceptions, mammals that were on the comment when it separated from Africa evolved independently, and very differently, from the way they evolved elsewhere.

Then, 4 to 8 million years ago, the continents shifted once more, sea levels dropped, and most of Central America was formed, creating a land bridge. Now animals could go back and forth between North and South America, and many of them did. The result, from the point of view of Southern Hemisphere animals, was disaster; most of the uniquely South American mammal fami-

lies became extinct. Hard questions

But what kinds of animals were they? What sort of environment had they lived in? What did they eat? How did they move about? And why did they become ex-

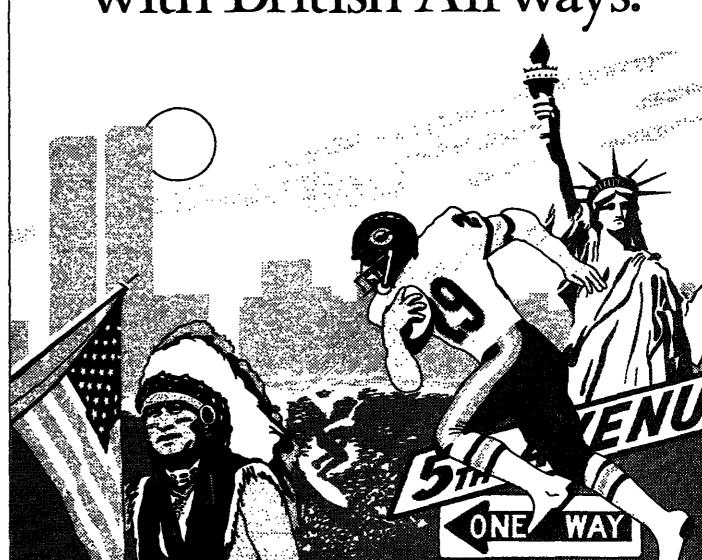
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million years ago. But Richard
The answers to these basic Cifelli, of the University of Okla-



Richard (Relli (centre) and other members of a rch expedition bunt for fossils in the Tatacoa Descri of Colombia - fossils that might help

mammals that existed before North and South America were linked by land bridge (national Discover North America with British Airways.



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Langer spreadeagles golf field for victory

Bernhard Langer of West Germany spreadeagled the field with his remorseless consistency and won his personal battle with Sevvy Ballesteros for a four-shot victory in the British PGA Championship on Monday.

Langer, so often the victim in past head-to-head battles with Ballesteros, took a two-shot lead into the final day and extended it with a closing five-under-par round of 67 to take the title for

His 72-hole total of 270, comprised of rounds of 66-69-68-67, was 18-under-par and gave him a record aggregate for Wentworth's 6,945 yards west course and the best total for the PGA event since records began in 1955. It has been played at Wentworth for the past

"It is a great satisfaction to have won against Sevvy but I've got more pleasure from the way I've played," said Langer, who may soon face surgery for a back complaint. "My short game was tremendous all week and I have felt very comfortable with my game throughout." Ballesteros commented: "With

with a 69, and Peter Senior of Australia with a 66 tied for third place on 278, another four shots

There was a four-way tie for fifth on 280 between Australians Ian Baker-Finch and Wayne Grady, American Rick Hartmann and Ken Brown of Britain. "I lost it there, I had no chance

have beaten Bernhard. His four

rounds were unbelievable and the

course was not playing easy this

in 1983, closed with a three-under-

par 69 and a total of 274, good enough to have taken the crown

in all but one of the past 32 years.

Jose-Maria Canizares of Spain,

Ballesteros, who won this title

after that," he said. His tee shot was off the green in a dip, and his first chip hit a branch and rolled back to his feet. He needed another pitch and two putts.

Both birdied the long 12th and though the Spaniard rolled in a 40-foot birdie putt from the fringe at the 14th, and collected another birdie at 17, his hopes had gone. Without sounding bitter, Ballesteros said he could have won

two or three more events this

year. "My game has been very good, but it seems to me that every week someone different comes through and plays their best to beat me.

"But no one in the world could have beaten Bernhard here," he added, saying he was happy to have ensured his place for the European Ryder Cup team to meet the Americans at Muirfield village, Ohio, in September.

boosted him back to the top of the European money list with £90,449 (\$151,050). Australian Peter Fowler equalled the course record of 64 in the

Ballesteros' win Monday also

final round. Langer, the 1985 U.S. Masters Champion who is ranked third in the world — one below Ballester-os — earned £36,000 (\$61,230)

for his first victory in Europe this

Ballesteros collected £24,440 (\$40,800) for his fifth top three finish in five European events this-

His only victory was in the Cannes Open last month. He also had a third-place finish at the U.S. Masters last month, where he lost on the first hole of a

three-way sudden death playoff. Langer said he had no trouble over the last two rounds with the back injury which he felt on the eve of the tournament might require surgery this year. "I'm not planning an operation now," he

"This was probably my best four-day performance. Four rounds like that on this golf course, it's among the best I've ever achieved," he said.

"It was important to beat Sevvy because I've never beaten him on this golf course head-to-head," added Langer, who has lost three times to Ballesteros in the world matchplay events.
"When he took double bogey
on the 10th and I birdied the 11th

to go six ahead, I felt I could only lose with a lot of mistakes," he added. "My putting was very strong and my caddy said it was the best he'd seen from me this

Langer's two-shot overnight advantage was stretched to three when he birdied the second hole and they each had one more birdie on the front nine. But Ballesteros' hopes were snuffed out at the short 10th.

Bayern moves Hans forward as striker

MUNICH, West Germany (R) — Bayern Munich trainer Udo Lattek Monday sprang a major sur-prise by naming left-back Hans Pfluegler as a striker for Wednesday's European Cup final in Vien-na with Porto of Portugal.

Pfluegler, 27, who recently won his first cap for West Germany, steps into the place of top scorer Roland Wohlfarth who

over Waldhof Mannheim in the West German League.

Danish signing Lars Lunde had been expected to play up front alongside veteran Dieter Hoe-

Lattek made it clear the tall Pfluegler, who has scored six goals this season, was chosen in attack for his heading ability. pulled a muscle four minutes "We can't do anything against from time in Saturday's 3-0 win Porto on the ground," he said.

Turkish soccer fans go on rampage

ANKARA (R) - Soccer fans detained, two policemen were went on the rampage in the cen-tral Turkish town of Konya Sunday night, smashing shop windows and stoning police after the local team failed to win a league

The semi-official Anatolian News Agency said 27 people were

"I couldn't touch him. There

Andretti grabbed the lead at

was nothing I could do with Mario at all. He ran off and left

us all," Unser said.

injured by stones, a car was set on fire and offices attacked. Konyaspor beat Tarsus

Idmanyurdu 5-0 but failed to win the Second Division Group C Championship, losing by three goals on goal difference to

ombian driver unlapped himself and closed the gap behind Unser when the final yellow came out as

Guerrero finished second for the second time in his four years

Italy was third, followed by Al Unser Jr., Gary Bettenhausen, Dick Simon, Rookies Stan Fox and Jeff Macpherson and Andretti. Tony Bettenhausen was 10th, followed by Johnny Ruthrford. Scott Brayton, Danny Sullivan and Tom Sneva, who crashed on the 143rd lap.

Andretti's 170 leading laps were the most by a driver since Parnelli Jones led 171 in a 1967 loss to Fovt.

Andretti stalled again.

Unser's winning time was 3 hours, 4 minutes, 59.147 seconds.

Rookie Fabrizio Barbazza of



Lendl, Graf make a promising start

United States was ousted by

Sweden's Joakim Nystrom 6-7,

Also among the seeds, 15th-ranked Sylvia Hanika of West

Germany beat Neige Dias of Bra-

Other seeded players in action

of Argentina, number 5 Helena Sukova of Czechoslovakia and

10th-seeded Kathy Rinaldi of the

United States among the women.

in a semifinal here a year ago,

was seeded and Nystrom was not,

the loss would hardly be consi-

dered an upset. Nystrom is just

one spot below Kriek in the world

rankings and is a much better

clay-court player than his Amer-

While Kriek, who lost to Lendl

6-2. 6-2. 6-1.

zil 6-1, 6-1.

from a year ago was quickly knocked out of the men's field. Why should only 16 guys be seeded?" the Naples, Fla., veter-The defending men's cham-pion, Ivan Lendl, followed Graf an asked. "Is 16 that much better than 17? Joakim and I are worldonto the red clay centre court class players, and here we are having to play each other right at against Ronald Agenor of Haiti. On the other prime show court, 16th seeded Johan Kriek of the

the start." Kriek added, however, that Nystrom had beaten him "fair and square." Nystrom had to set points in the first set before Kriek took it, and soared ahead in the

second set as Kriek lost concentration and momentum. A missed backhand volley by Kriek gave Nystrom the match. Graf, the number 2 women's

on a warm, sunny spring after-noon included fourth-ranked seed who has won her last six Mats Wilander of Sweden, sixthtournaments, took less than an hour to beat Cserepy ranked Yannick Noah of France and 14th-ranked Martin Jaite of Argentina among the men, and seventh-seeded Gabriela Sabatini

Graf was not perfect but had little trouble stretching her winning streak to 33 matches as she relied on her pounding forehand. Cserepy, born in Egypt of

Hungarian parents and now living in Switzerland, got to break point just once against the 17-year-old West German, and Graf saved that point. Graf broke Cserepy in the

second and sixth games of the first set, and again in the first, fifth and seventh games of the

Hampden fan

LONDON (AP) - English sec-

cer chiefs, who are trying to negotiate their clubs' return to

European competition, Monday

police report on the violence that

followed Saturday's Scotland-England international.

Some 100 people were arrested after the 0-0 tie at Hampden

Park, when English fans re-

portedly raided Glasgow bars, attacking their Scottish counter-

The incident prompted Scottish

law officials to call for English

fans to be banned from Scotland. English chios already are ban-

ned from playing in European competition following the Heysel Stadium tragedy two years ago, when 39 mostly Italian people were killed trying to flee rioting

The ban is indefinite and English soccer officials have been trying to negotiate a return with UEFA, the sport's governing

The European ban does not affect England's national team,

but English fans are kept under

tight security whenever they

After Saturday's trouble, the

Scottish solicitor general said he wanted any English fans involved

banned, from games in Scotland.

Peter Fraser said he was appalled

In a statement, he said: "If the

people involved turn out to be English fans they must be told to go home and never come back. We are sick to death with that

kind of fan. I would hope that the

court will deal with them in stem

fans, they deserve an equally stern rebuke because they will

have damaged Scotland's reputa-

tion for having the best behaved

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fans in Europe," he said. The fans went on the ramper

after the 0-0 draw.

"If they turn out to be Scots

by reports of the violence.

Liverpool supporters.

body in Europe.

travel abroad.

fashion.

parts with sticks and chairs.

LIE

rioting poses

soon to Paris

PARIS (AP) — Facing the possibility of a suspension and a heavy at Roland Garros. fine. John McEnroe arrived Monday for the French Open with the most recent demonstration of his fiery temper preceding him on

McEnroe's won't start play until he meets Horacio De La Pena of Argentina Tuesday, but the American was the subject of a special meeting at the headquarters of the men's International Professional Tennis Council

Fines already imposed will stick no matter what the meeting decides. But if officials judge McEnroe's behaviour to be bad enough, they could suspend him for up to a year, and the ban could start before Wimbledon, authorities said.

The MIPTC meeting focused on McEnroe's behaviour in the final of the World Team Cup against Czechoslovakia Sunday.

POP IN IT'S FASTER THAN CALLING

McEnroe coming | Ageing Unser luckiest Indy 500 winner

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Al Unser is more than the oldest winner of the Indianapolis 500. He's more than only the second four-time winner of the Indianapolis 500. Al Unser is the luckiest winner of the Indianapolis 500. And Mario Andretti is the un-

luckiest loser. "Lady luck has to run your way sometimes, and this was one of those times," said Unser, who won in 1970, 1971 and 1978 but was without a ride after his contract with the Penske racing team expired last season.

Unser, who will be 48 on Fri-

day, never thought he would be the finish. in Sunday's race, let alone win it. He got the ride, supposedly a one-shot deal, just three days before the second weekend of time trials when Danny Ongais suffered a concussion in practice, and promptly qualified 22nd, in the middle of the seventh row.

Then came the race, marred by the first spectator fatality since 1960. Unser barely avoided a first-lap crash by two other drivers, then found himself in the right place when Andretti and then Roberto Guerrero were unable to hold leads that surely seemed safe late in the race.

"It's hard to believe," said Unser, who matched A.J. Foyt's record four victories and surpassed his brother, Bobby, as the oldest winner by nine months. "It's something you dream about. But it seemed it wouldn't come true because of all the problems." But Unser was equally certain this one was his greatest victory.

"They don't all blend together.

This one here is more special.

The older you get, the more you learn to appreciate them," Unser It was the sixth victory for the Penske team. It was Andretti, who easily won the pole position for his 22nd Indy start, who was

second Indy victory.

And he nearly did, until his streak of bad luck continued with a broken fuel seal 23 laps from

expected to run away with his

the beginning and was almost unchallenged until disaster struck. He led 170 of the first 177 laps, the most dominant pace since 1930 and even in the end the

fifth-most dominant race ever from the standpoint of laps led. Unser, meanwhile, almost never survived the first trip around the track, barely avoiding a spin and crash by Josele Garza. Andretti lost the lead only

briefly twice when he came in for routine pit stops. When he built a lead of more than one lap with a full third of the race to go, the question was not whether he would outrun the other cars, but whether he would outrun his perennial bad luck. He wouldn't make it to the

checkered flag this year, finally quitting after 180 laps. Officially, Andretti finished ninth. When Andretti went out, the

last driver between Unser and the checkered flag was Guerrero, who took the lead for five laps and seemed in control. But again Unser benefited from someone else's bad luck.

After the 182nd lap, guerrero came in for a pit stop and couldn't get the car out of gear.

Unser had more than a lap lead over Guerrero, but the Col-

Graham risks boxing title shot against Kalambay LONDON (R) — Herol Graham Ray Leonard, both the World

of Britain risks his unbeaten record and a shot at a world middieweight boxing title when he defends his European Championship against Sambu Kalambay in a bout scheduled for 12 rounds at Wembley on Tuesday.

Graham hopes to make the Italian-based Zairean his 39th successive victim before settling pionship. on which of two world crowns to

Hagler's shock defeat by Sugar in 45 fights.

new crisis Boxing Association (WBA) and International Boxing Federation for English (IBF) titles became vacant.

Graham has his pick of bonts' and appears leaning towards fighting American Iran Barkley for the WBA title rather than going against Canada's Michael Olajide for the IBF cham-

prove to be a formidable obsta-Following Marvelous Marvin cle. He has lost only three times

Kalambay, however,

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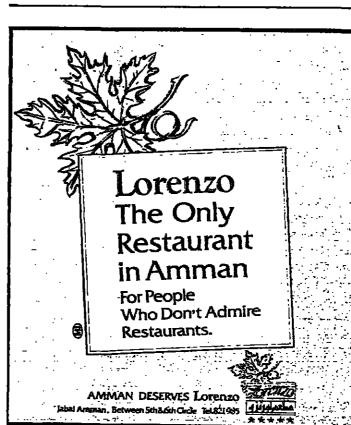
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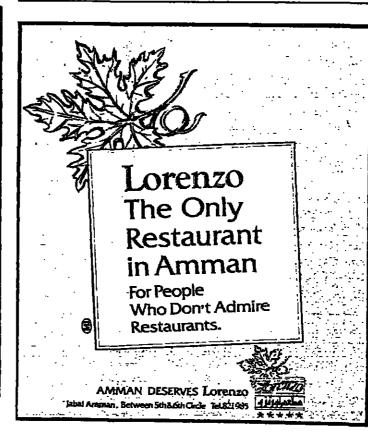
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First U.S. loan to China goes ahead

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- Bankers said IBJ Schroder Contradection dismissing claims Bank and Trust of New York, a by holders of pre-1949 Chinese unit of the Industrial Bank of bonds has allowed Peking to bor-row money in the United States arranged syndication of a fiveyear \$150 million loan at very low interest to state-owned Bank of

Mr. Kazuhiko Iida, IBJ's assistant Peking representative, said his bank did not fear litigation against the loan by holders of

A North American banker said that though two other bond

\$150 million and were profitable, according to Mr. Laird Slade, a

Du Pont had \$27 billion in sales

last year and the businesses being

sold accounted for one half of one

per cent of those sales, Mr. Slade

Du Pont has manufactured a

variety of explosive products for

185 years, beginning with the manufacture of black powder in

1802. The company discontinued

manufacture of black powder in

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as an evolution for Du Pont to

sell off the businesses and con-

centrate on other growth areas

such as biological products,

Mr. Slade described the sales

Du Pont spokesman.

Du Pont to sell explosives business to Canadian firm combined sales last year of about

WILMINGTON, Delaware (AP) - The Dn Pont Co., which started as an explosives-maker nearly 200 years ago, is selling its Amercian and Canadian explosives businesses to Canadian Investment Capital Ltd. (CIC) of Toronto.

CIC signed a letter of intent last week to buy Du Pont's U.S. plants and a similar letter to purchase the Canadian explosives business of Du Pont Canada Inc., a 73 per cent owned Du Pont

"We have been associated with commercial explosives for nearly two centuries, and it is difficult to end that relationship with the marketplace," Mr. Bruce Beardwood, a Du Pont vice president, said. "However, commercial explosives is not one of the core businesses upon which the company is building its future.

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FORECAST FOR TUESDAY, MAY 26, 1987

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GENERAL TENDENCIES: It's a very good day to

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GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) You may feel hemmed

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to Jul 21) Don't ask

avenues to follow that will bring you greater popularity,

in by the situation around you, but a little ingenuity can

favors of others today or you could get into troublesome

LiEO (Jul. 22 to Aug. 21) Don't feel put off by influen-

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) You are anxious to get

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Don't take any risks with

your mate or you can lose much of the harmony that

sas been so carefully built up. SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Outside partners are

not in the mood to do what you would like, so don't call

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Although your

work may seem boring, keep at it. Take any health

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Instead of planning

recreations, finish those practical tasks that have to be

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) You have to have more patience and consideration at home now, so don't

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Much more care than usual has to be exercised in motion. Be careful of any

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY ... he, or she, will be deliberate and take much time at doing everything, so it would be wise to teach this one to be

faster in order to keep up with others. Your progeny

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the banking community and China had accepted the Supreme Court Decision as a precedent. He said China had long wanted to tap the U.S. capital market but was deterred by the threat of

China, all keen to lend to Peking, were unhappy that Peking should have chosen to make its first move in the U.S. market with the subsidiary of a foreign bank.

legal action.

newspapers," the banker said. He said China could choose to

pay the lower of two rates. It could pay either the London Inter Bank Offered Rate (LIBOR). the rate for large short-term loans between banks, or 0.24 of a per-American banks with offices in centage point above the interest on three-month certificate of de-

Banking analysts said China was getting the money very cheaply at rates the banks them-"China never approached us. selves would pay.

Strike cripples Bombay

BOMBAY (R) - Business ground to a halt Monday in India's commercial capital of Bombay state as businessmen went on strike against a government trans-

Markets were empty, factories silent and roads clear of commercial traffic throughout the state, strike organiser, Mr. Nanubhai Patel, told Reuters.

Trading at the Bombay Stock Exchange, India's biggest, stopped as brokers joined the strike. The city's port was paralysed and business on the oilseed, bullion, sugar and pepper markets came

Mr. Patel, president of the Federation of Association of Industries in Maharashtra, called and the surrounding Maharashtra the indefinite strike by the trade and transport industries to press for the abolition of duty levied on goods entering Bombay and the

> About one million workers in other industries joined the walkout for one day Monday in sympathy.

Traders and road hauliers have long demanded the abolition of duty known as "octroi," collected by the state government at tax posts on city and state borders under a system widespread

British firm buys famous gun maker for \$112.5 million

kins Plc, a British industrial company, said last week it has agreed to acquire Smith and Wesson Corp., the famous, 135-year-old American gun maker, for \$112.5

Tomkins is to buy Smith and Wesson from Lear Siegler Holdings Corp., a U.S. diversified

Springfield, Massacusetts-based Smith and Wesson's original customers were the gun-toting cowboys of the Wild West. Today it holds around a third of the huge U.S. hand-gun market and it arms policemen around the Best-known is the company's

Smith and Wesson .44-calibre gun, the "Magnum." The company also makes hand-

LONDON (AP) - F.H. Tom- police forces worldwide to reconstruct the face of a criminal when no photographs are available.

Tomkins' statement said: "The board believes that, with its brand name recognition, reputation for quality, market leadership and its recent stable earnings and cash flow, it will provide Tomkins with a strong base from which to continue to develop in

Smith and Wesson, which has founded in 1852, posted pre-tax profits of \$14.1 million in the year ended June 30, 1986 on sales of \$116.1 million. Its net tangible assets were \$47.6 million then.

Tomkins makes car parts, buckles, boits and other products. It had pre-tax profit of £.52 million (\$5.9 million) on revenue cuffs and the Identikit criminal of £35.8 million (\$60 million) in its 1985-1986 year.

identification system used by Firerstone quits South Africa

AKRON, Ohio (AP) — The remaining 25 per cent interest in the holding company that ac- material.

company in 1981. Federale Volksbeleggings Be-perk, an industrial holding company with headquarters in Johannesburg, signed a management agreement with Firestone when Federale became the controlling shareholder in 1981.

When the management agreement expired in March, Firestone said it asked Federale to consider buying its minority interest in the company. Under terms of the 1981 agreement, Firestone was prohibited from selling its 25 per cent interest to any third party without Federale's approval.

Federale responded with an Firestone Tire and Rubber Co. offer, and Firestone agreed to the said last week it has sold its sale. Terms were not released. Firestone said the transaction's Firestone South Africa Ltd. to impact on earnings would be im-

> Akron-based Firestone said it will continue to honour trademark and other long-term agreements with Federale until their expiration dates.

Firestone said its board of directors intends to meet a commitment it made in 1985 to spend about \$500,000 a year for three years to support education and training programmes to enhance economic opportunities for blacks in South Africa.

Firestone said it has provided \$1.2 million so far and will provide an additional \$300,000 by the end of the year.

Global privatisation gathers pace

LONDON (R) — Pinched for cash, or avowed believers in free enterprise, many governments are increasingly eager to privatise state industry.

there are few industries to sell, there are things that government can contract out - even its laundry. Elsewhere, however, among Western societies, leftist parties and trade unions may slow the privatisation drive.

Reuter correspondents based in the Group of Seven major industrial nations, and others, filed reports:

The United States - the sale in March of Consolidated Rail Corp the bankrupt ruins of a major freight network - was the biggest public offering and privatisation of U.S. history. But Ms. Janet Rothenberg

Pack, professor of public policy and management at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, called it an anomaly.

"We don't have a lot of industries to turn back to the private sector. The main focus of privatisation here is what is termed 'intermediate goods,'" she said.

They are services like data processing, food and laundry that can be contracted to private business. U.S. privatisation extends to letting business run state hospitals and schools.

"Most economists recognise the overwhelming importance of private incentives. The more rein you give to private incentives, the better the outcome," Ms. Pack

There are still some business operations that will be sold by a federal government anxious to privatise to help narrow a huge budget deficit as well pursue effi-

Japan — Seeking to relieve a huge public debt equivalent to about \$1,000 billion, the government has sold holdings in such major enterprises as Japan National Railways and Nippon Telegraph and Telephone (NTT) and aims to dispose of a 34.5 per cent stake in Japan Airlines soon.

A surging stock market has attracted buyers - the NTT issue in April was 10 times oversub-West Germany - The govern-

ment has an interest in more than 400 firms. Chancellor Helmut Kohl's centre-right coalition

And if, as in the United States, wants to privatise, buf faces opposition and a sell-off "hit" list of 100 has been scaled down to

> It has sold energy giant Veba and a 40-per-cent holding in Viag, a chemicals and energy firm. A 20-per-cent stake in Volkswagen has been reduced to 16 per cent.

> Trade unions say state assets are being sold off cheap.

France — Rightist parties under Prime Minister Jacques Chirac came to power in 1986 pledging to "liberate" the economy and sell 65 state banking, insurance, media and other firms. The government hopes to raise

sums worth around \$50 billion over five years, using 75 per cent of it to cut state debt while also shaving taxes. Many of the firms to be sold were taken into state ownership

in 1981 when the Socialists came to power. The number of shareholders has more than tripled since the first sales, to round 4.5 million

and such share issues such as that by the Paribas bank group were massively oversubscribed. Britain — Conservative Prime

Minister Margaret Thatcher wants to roll back socialism. After a set of lavishly publicised sell-off, one in six Britons is now a shareholder. Only one in 20 was in that category as recently as

Holdings sold so far, netting the exchequer sums worth more than \$20 billion, include gas utility British Gas, the British Telecom telecommunications company and British Airways. Aeroengine builder Rolls Royce is the latest float.

Mrs. Thatcher plans more if she wins a June 11 poll, but union-backed Labour opponents pledge to renationalise British Gas and British Telecom.

Italy - Mr. Romano Prodi, chairman of the state industrial holding company Istituto per la Ricostruzione Industriale (IRI), aims to sell non-strategic assets and partly privatise others by floating shares, but a bid sell IRI foodstuffs subsidiary SME to indistrialist Carlo de Benedetti in 1985 led to a political row.

carmaker Alfa Romeo to Fiat last year. But a joint venture in telecommunications with Fiat subsidiary Telettra drew fire from the

Socialist Party. High unemployment makes unions wary of privatisations which may lead to job losses. Lack of anti-trust laws arouses fears of giving too much power to a fami-ly-dominated private sector.

Canada — The Progressive Conservative Party pledged major sales among more than 60 state-run firms when swept to power in 1984. It has so far sold 11 for a total \$1.2 billion, including Teleglobe Canada, a communicátions company.

But it has yet to decide its two jewels — oil giant Petro-Canada and flag carrier Air Canada — which could involve florations on the scale of those in Britain and France.

Business, says the government, is going too slowly. Labour and nationalist groups opposed priva-tisation on ideological ground and worry about state-run com-

panies going to foreigners. Portugal - Steel, chemicals, shipyards and several other businesses were nationalised after a 1974 military revolution and the sale of fully owned state firms is now barred by the constitution. Parliament will soon have powers to change that but leftists and the unions will resist.

Elections are due in July, with an outgoing centre-right Social Democratic Party government favouring privatisation to help the economy adapt to European Community membership.

Austria - After decades of Socialist rule, state industries account for 20 per cent of output. Chancellor Franz Vranitzky's coalition government wants to sell off some of them but most recipients of huge subsidies - are too deep in the red.

Closest to realisation is the

flotation of shares in oil firm OEMV A.G., the only big state firm making a profit. Belgium — The government

has had to impose economic austerity measures and it needs money. Liberal (Conservative) Budget

Minister Guy Verhofstadt advocates selling shares in the state airline, postal authority and other enterprises. But political sources to keep them affoat.

IRI had more success selling said he got a muted response from non-Liberals in the coali-

> And Mr. Paul Henrion, vicepresident of savings bank CGER which is on his list, said: "Public company we are and public company we wish to stay."

> Netherlands - The government may sell off 30 per cent of giant chemicals firm N.V. DSM in what would be the biggest flotation in the history of the Amsterdam Stock Exchange. But the government does not have a major role in business.

Philippines — Philippines President Corazon Aquino on April 20 approved 113 state-owned or controlled corporations for priva-

Her country is a major Third World debtor, owing \$28.2 billion, and is among pioneers of the "debt-equity swap" — a process whereby a creditor takes a stake in a company in the debtor coun-

try in lieu of loan repayment. Finance Secretary Jaime Ongpin says: "The Philippines is probably unique in adopting policies that specifically link privatisation with a debt-equity con-

version programme. Sweden - The Social Democractic government long resisted privatisation on ideological grounds but has turned more to the private sector since returning

to power in 1982. It plans this autumn to sell 20 to 30 per cent of its holding in the state Procordia building, chemicals, drugs, food and engineering conglomerate.

In 1984, 15 per cent of shares in state-owned bank P.K.-Banken were offered to the public.

Turkey - Government officials say Turkey has decided to open its industrial privatisation programme with the sale of several state-owned companies and shares held by the government in private concerns.

Prime Minister Turgut Ozal, who came to power in 1983, aims to privatise the country's 40 stateowned industrial and service companies, known as state economic enterprises (SEE).

Private and government sources say the SEE, accounting for around 10 per cent of gross domestic product, are a burden. They cite the archaic management and state subsidies needed

Fears of stock market plunge spread in Tokyo

TOKYO (R) — Tokyo's high-flying stockmarket, the richest in strong market upswing so people market, Mr. Yoda said. Successive cuts in the control of the co the world, may be about to go are becoming concerned share rate have diverted savings of into a plunge, a growing number prices may have risen too high,"

brokers believe. Rising U.S. interest rates and inflation, a looming Third World debt crisis and fading expertations of further cuts in Japanese interest rates are undermining investor confidence.

Analysts from some of Japan's top securities houses, until now almost universally optimistic, are predicting sharp downturns in stock prices. Even Nomura Securities, the

world's biggest brokerage, while dismissing talk of a market collapse, sees most share prices moving sideways for the next two months, a Nomura broker said.

said Mr. Takaaki Yoda, research manager at Daiwa Securities.

Mr. Yoda predicted the close-ly-watched 225-share market index could shed up to 10 per cent in the coming two months.

Analysts said that the widening

differential in American and Japanese interest rates caused by rate increases in the United States have made chances for further cuts in the 2.5 per cent discount rate here look more remote.

"If falling interest rates begin to bottom out in Japan, then this would definitely be bad for the

Successive cuts in the discount cash-laden corporations and individuals from bank deposits to stock investment, helping propel the Tokyo exchange to its present position as the richest stockmar-

ket in the world. Mounting fear of inflation in the United States, which has steered Wall Street's stock exchange into a sluggish phase, is also casting gloom onto the

Japanese sharemarket. Japan will catch inflation from the United States," said Mr. Kazuhisa Okamoto, chief investment and research analyst at Nikko Securities.

International commodity prices are rising and Japan cannot

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help but import some of this inflation," he added. Inflation is an age-old bugbear

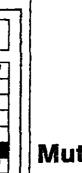
of stockmarkets as it erodes the real value of investments and traditionally triggers rising interest rates.

Inflation worries have been whipped up further by reports that the amount of money moving through the Japanese economy rose a dramatic 9.8 per cent in April from a year earlier.

Adding to such misgivings, doubts over the health of international banking deepened last week after the biggest U.S. banking group, Citicorp, announced it was adding \$3 billion to a fund covering risky loans to Third World countries.

By Harris

Peanuts











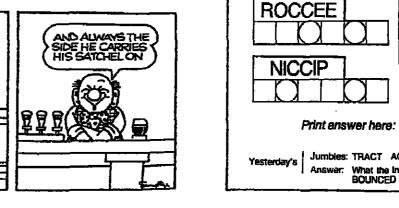
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Andy Capp







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CAN DOTHIS. Now arrange the circled letters to

(Answers tomorrow) Jumbles: TRACT ACRID CONVEX BUBBLE What the India rubber man at the circus got-

Fijian governor formally grants amnesty to Rabuka

SUVA (R) — Fiji's governor-general formally granted amnesty Monday to Lieutenant-Colonel Sitiveni Rabuka and the troops who staged this month's military coup while supporters of the ousted government prepared for a protest strike.

sions continued to simmer in this strategic Pacific Island chain, police and the army confiscated weapons in visits to shops and

Ratu Sir Penaia Ganilau granted amnesty to leaders of the coup which ousted the recently elected government of Timoci Bavadra, which gave Indians a majority in government for the first time since independence from Britain in 1970.

An announcement in the official government gazette said Ganilau, personal representative of Queen Elizabeth, who is Fiji's head of state, gave Col. Rabuka and the troops who kidnapped Dr. Bavadra's cabinet at gunpoint amnesty because they had gone out of their way to avoid

The statement said Col. Rabuka had also respected the integri- security.

As racial and geographic ten- ty of the office of the governorgeneral, who now heads an interim administration until new elections are held.

Fijian traditional chiefs from across the country's 300 islands met in closed session Monday to debate constitutional changes designed to ensure that leaders of the large Indian community never again form a majority in the government, sources close to the meeting told Reuters.

Ganilau convened the first meeting of a Special Council of Advisers who will help rule the country until the constitution is changed and elections organised. He nominated Ratu Sir

Kamisese Mara, who ruled the country as prime minister from independence until last month's election, to help supervise foreign

Col. Rabuka is in charge of

Troops in camouflage uniform continued to patrol the streets of the capital Sava, as Dr. Bavadra's supporters, who include a large section of the Indian business community, planned a protest strike and closure of shops

Members of the ousted coalition headed by Dr. Bavadra described the coup Sunday as an act of terrorism, and promised a campaign of non-violent protest to get the government reinstated.

Dr. Bavadra boycotted Mon-'day's advisory council meeting, though he and another member of his coalition were offered places on the 19-member committee.

He told reporters be was considering attending a meeting of the South Pacific Forum in Apia, Western Samoa, next weekend. Dr. Bavadra's 12-man cabinet

was composed of seven Indian members and five Fijians, including himself. Fiji has a popultion of 714,000

Indians, brought here in the last century to work on sugar planta-tions, slightly outnumber indige-

Ministry said Monday.

The fire, in the Daxinganiling
Forest of Heilongjiang province,
has burned since May 6, killing at

lion acres) of land. Shen Wandi, ministry spokes-woman, said the rains of Sunday slowed, but did not stop, the

She said 3,600 firefighters were clearing a new firebreak in one southern section while 7,000 others have been moved from the fire's eastern section to begin

Gorbachev arrives in Romania

bachev smiled broadly as he

greeted Mr. Ceausescu's wife

Elena, who is a politically power-

brought onto the streets to wave

and cheer at Mr. Gorbachev and

Mr. Ceausescu as they rode in an

open-top car from the airport to

State television, which is nor-mally filled with eulogies to the Ceansescus and broadcasts for

only two hours daily on week-

days, made a special live trans-

mission of Mr. Gorbachev's arriv-

parison with the treatment he has

received when visiting other East-

This reflected the maverick

role in the Warsaw Pact played by

Mr. Ceausescu, who has sought

domestic political advantage out

of distancing himself from some

Soviet foreign policy and econo-

Until Monday there were no

portraits of Mr. Gorbachev on

Bucharest's streets and no ban-

ners proclaiming Soviet-Roma-nian friendship. The Communist Party daily Scinteia maintained

its practice of not publishing a

The government newspaper

Romania Libera carried a biogra-

phy of Mr. Gorbachev on its front

page, but devoted its entire back

page to announcing the transla-tion of Mr. Ceausescu's works

While Mr. Gorbachev has

embarked on policies of open-

ness, criticism and economic

change at home, Mr. Ceausescu

and around Jaffna town, 300

kilometres north of Colombo. He

declined to give troop strengths.

"It is only the media in India

which has launched a major

offensive in the north, not us,"

Mr. Athulathmudali told the

Indian newspapers have been running almost daily stories quot-

ing Tamil rebels as saying an

all-out offensive has begun in

Most of the Tamil rebel

groups, which have been waging a four-year separatist war in Sri

Lanka, have exile headquarters

in the southern Indian city of

Associated Press.

northern Sri Lanka.

Monday edition.

into Greek.

But the welcome was in other ways distinctly low-key in com-

Thousands of people were

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em European allies.

TOKYO (AP) — Technical data on the new Boeing E3C Hawkeye On May 19, police are fighter jet may have been among information sold to the Soviet BUCHAREST (R) — Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev ar-Union by four suspected spies, a rived Monday in Romania, whose major Japanese newspaper said President Nicolae Ceausescu has shown little inclination to Police discovered copies of the embrace the Kremlin's new poli-E3C's technical order and a

cies of openness and economic manual for maintenance, inspection and piloting of the jet in the home of Masatern Tachibana, 59, Mr. Gorbachev, who was on the first official visit to Romania a military writer and former by a Soviet leader since 1976, was worker at a U.S. air base, the accompanied by his wife Raisa and his chief aide on Eastern Yomiuri Shimbun reported. Tachibana was one of four men

arrested on May 19 on suspicion of spying for the Soviet Union and China, the newspaper said. European affairs, Vadim Med-Mr. Gorbachev and Mr. Ceausescu exchanged three tradi-Police officials said they would not confirm or deny the You-miuri report. U.S. military offices tional kisses on the cheek before the two countries' national anthems were played. Mr. Gorwere closed Monday for a U.S.

national holiday. There were earlier unconfirmed reports that the ring sold information on the sophisticated-U.S. F-16 fighter jet to the

Japanese spies pass

Hawkeye data to Soviets

The E3C Hawkeye, recently introduced to combat units in the United States and West Germany, can scan an area 400 kilometres in radius and detect more than 600 targets. The Soviet Union strongly desired technical information on the E3C because its version of the jet is said to be

western Tokyo, for allegedly stealing technical documents. Tachibana and Sadao Gotoh, 60, the president of Sanko Ltd., a trading company doing business with China, were arrested the same day on charges of buying

stolen goods.

On May 19, police arrested

Hiromic Date, 62, a counsellor at

the private China Technical Cen-

tre, after he attempted to pass

documents to V.B. Aksenov of

the Soviet trade representative's

Police accused Date and other

members of the spy ring of selling

U.S. military documents to Akse-

nov and Igor Solokov, a first

secretary at the Soviet embassy in

Tokyo, in exchange for 100 million yen (\$714,286), the Yomiuri

On May 19, police also arrested Hiroshi Osumi, 65, an employee in the technical library

of the U.S. Yokota Air Base in

office at a park in western Tokyo.

Aksenov and Solokov returned to the Soviet Union last week. The Yomiuri report said police also found copies of the technical orders for the mid-air refuelling system for E3 series and for the missile transport trailers in Tachibana's home and other places

Protests against torture coverup continues in Seoul

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) -: Thousands of students staged rallies Monday to protest an alleged coverup in the torture death of a detained student, and riot police used tear gas to disperse at least one protest.

Students at several Seoul universities demonstrated to demand the removal of the government of President Chun Doo-Hwan amid growing charges that top officials helped cover up the torture death of student Park Chong-Chui under police interrogation in January

"Down with the military dicta-torship" and "down with the brutal police," the protesters chanted.

Students fought with police for about two hours at Sungkyunkwan University after riot squads firing tear gas moved on to the campus to break up a demon-stratrion. About 700 students

hurled firebombs and rocks at police during the running clashes. Anti-government students staged peaceful rallies and sit-ins at several other Seoul schools.

Five student leaders shave their heads in protest at Hanyang University and other students began a hunger strike at Seoul National University. Yonhap, the Korean News

Agency, said some 7,400 students took part in protest at 24 universities and colleges across South

The government announced during the weekend that five senior police officials were being questioned about a possible coverup in the killing of Park. Five other police officers have been arrested in connection with

Korean Broadcasting System KBS), the state radio, reported Monday evening that the five top officers had been allowed to return bome, but said the case was still under investigation. KBS said prosecutors now were questioning other witnesses.

Park was being questioned about the whereabouts of a fugitive student leader and his own dissident activities when he died.

funding constituted Indian in-

tervention in Sri Lanka's internal

Father of liver transplant girl robbed

hospital where his daughter is recovering, police said. A Scotland Yard spokeswoman said Zion Kadosh, 29, of Beersheva, was robbed of £250 (\$417) and the family's return plane tickets to Israel. The cash and the tickets were in a paper bag stolen from King's College Hospital, the spokeswoman said. A relative, Shoshana Ling, told reporters: "This is an absolutely dreadful thing. I was in tears when I heard of the theft. The family needs every penny." Kadosh and his wife Tova, 28, have been staying at the London hospital where their daughter Moran is recovering

Chagall painting sold for \$858,000

TEL AVIV (R) — A painting executed by French Jewish artist Marc Chagall at the age of 86 fetched \$858,000 in a Jerusalem auction highlighting works by Jewish artists and craftsmen. The 1973 oil painting of a vase of flowers against a pastoral yellow background and entitled Flowers was bought in a telephone bid by an anonymous American. The estimated price in the catologue was \$450,000 to \$550,000. The \$2.67-million anction was the second in Israel in two years by Sotheby's auction house of London of Jewish-related works, underscoring recent collector interest in Jewish ritual objects and art works. One of the most unusual items in the sale was a 16th century manuscript which contains the first known reference in Hebrew to the discovery of America in 1492. The geography manuscript was written in 1551-by Hebrew translator Moshe Almosnino, whose parents fled the Spanish inquisition the same year Columbus discovered America; It was bought by an American dealer for \$33,000.

Afghan security forces seize heroin

ISLAMABAD (R) — Afghan security forces seized 119 kilog-rammes of heroin in a vehicle in Paghiman district near Kabul, the official Bakhtar News Agency said Monday. The agency, montored in Islamabad, said the drug had been brought from Pakistan. The driver and other occupants of the vehicle were arrested, it said, but gave no further details. Heroin, worth about 11 said, but gave no further details. arrested, it said, but gave no further details. Heroin, worth about \$1 million per kilogramme at U.S. street prices, is printed in large amounts from poppies grown in the Hindu Kuish Africanization which straddle the Afghan-Pakistan border. Last December the Soviet-backed government announced the arrest of Africanization Kabul airport for trying to smuggle half a forme of Hadrigh to London.

South China flood toll rises to 92 PEKING (Agencies) - At least

92 people have been killed and over 400 injured in widespread flooding in south China over the past few days, an official radio station reported.

Gunagdong provincial radio also said 33,600 hectares (85,000 acres) of farmland had been flooded and 20,000 houses had collapsed in the torrential rains.

The official China Daily reported Monday morning that 48 people had been killed in the floods. China's second natural disaster in a month. A huge forest fire in north east China has killed over 200 people in the past three

The provincial radio said 1.1 million people in Guangdong Meanwhile a light rain offered province had been affected by the a momentary respite firefighters

hamentary vote of confidence for

his Socialist government early

in which he argued he had given

Greece a voice respected abroad.

157 votes with 139 against, said

the country's independence and

improved society after six years in

The Greek leader asked parliament last week to hold the vote

after accusations from the opposi-

tion conservative New Democra-

cy Party (ND) of mismanagement

Mr. Papandreon, whose com-

ensured him victory, said he

wanted the vote in order to clear

up what he called a climate of

The homeless survivors of a tor-

nado that destroyed this com-

munity prepared to bury their 29

dead and seek help for them-

selves as they wondered how to

return to a town that no longer

town were pioneers... the people

of Saragosa are pioneers again,"

injured, and six of those killed

were children. About half the

"People who established this

wonder about future

in the public sector.

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Mr. Papandreou, who gained

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Papandreou wins confidence

vote after defending policies

Andreas Papandreon won a par- around Greek public life.

ATHENS (R) - Prime Minister decay created by the opposition

floods, but added: "The rainstorms over the province are now gradually dying out and the river levels are receding."

More than 350,000 people

marooned by the floods were evacuated to safety, and the radio said 600,000 people had been involved in the rescue and relief

It said 1,000 bridges had been destroyed and 700 kilometres of roads "washed out" by the floodwaters.

The China Daily said the floods had swept away sections of road, blocking several trunk highways, and had damaged many bridges, power supply and water conservancy projects.

away at north eastern China's great forest reserves, the Forestry

least 200 people, laying waste to several towns and scorching at least 600,000 hectares (1.48 mil-

> spread of a 25-kilometre-long blaze moving toward the south.

work on another firelane.

Americans honour military dead

Speaking in the final session of the debate Sunday night, Mr. NEW YORK (AP) - Americans Monday after a three-day debate Papandreou said he would call a approached the sad, proud tradireferendum on the future of U.S. tion of honouring the nation's military dead with fresh grief over military bases in Greece if the USS Stark, but Memorial Washington formally asked to retain them after a current agree-Day also brought celebrations of the constitution's 200th birthday and the Golden Gate bridge's Under a 1983 accord the Un-

ited States maintains four major 50th. and about 20 minor installations The holiday weekend sent milin Greece in return for \$500 lions of people to backyard barbecues, beaches, parades and million in credits. other outdoor activities including Mr. Papandreou said U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz the Indianapolis 500, which Al had made clear Washington Unser Sr. won Sunday for the fourth time.

wanted to keep the bases but added that talks on the terms of a fortbale parliamentary majority new agreement would have to start from scratch as the Greek government had made no com-Tornado victims seek aid;

In Depoe Bay, Oregon, fisher-men planned to cast 500 wreaths into the Pacific Ocean on Monday in the 42-year-old fleet of flowers tradition.

In Comer, Georgia, about 8,000 veterans and members of their families were expected at a seven-day campout planned by the "LZ Friendly" Vietnam veterans support group, who named themselves after the military term for a safe landing

meet our brothers and sisters. and to laugh and cry and dance safe," said veteran Sam Dailey of

million people turned out Sunday for the Golden Gate Bridge's 50th birthday bash. The party started with a walk across the span by 250,000 people and continued into the night with a fireworks show and singer Tony Bennett crooning "I Left My Heart In

Days, veterans who participated in the Vietnam war urged the nation to honour their service and remember their comrades who remain unaccounted for. In Madison. Wisconsin, Vietnam veterans clad in army fatigues set up a bamboo cage near Capitol Square as reminder.

has maintained a firm grip on culture and information policies and the Romanian economy has

Sri Lanka denies major offensive in north COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (AP) - Madras. Lanka's security minister said Monday that government troops were moving "step by step" against Tamil rebel hideouts in the northern Jaffna peninsula,

but denied plans for a major offensive. National Security Minister Lalith Athulathmudali said additional troops were being deployed to beef up army camps in

Vice President George Bush was the scheduled keynote speaker in Philadelphia for Monday's official opening of a 16-week bicentennial commemoration of the constitutional convention. The USS Constitution, known

as old ironsides and oldest ship in the navy, was to fire its traditional 21-gun Memorial Day salute in Boston Harbour.

"It's worth driving up here to under the stars and know we're

Other Memorial Day weekend fun included the 40th annual spray rodeo in eastern Oregon, in which spectators lined a twoblock parade route. The parade, long on borses and short on marching bands, wound around the block twice to give everyone a chance to wave.

On a larger scale, more than a San Francisco."

As in other recent Memorial

Mr. Athulathmudali described the recent clashes on the Jaffna peninsula as a "step by step" advance by troops aimed at taking control of Jaffna town.

he said, "since Tamil terrorists have rejected all proposals to the island.

He also accused the govern-ment of the southern Indian state of Tamil Nadu of directly aiding the rebels.

"What Tamil Nadu has been doing covertly, now they have done overtly," Mr. Athulathmudali charged. He was referring to reports that more than \$3 million of supposed

humanitarian aid from Tamil Nadu was funnelled through a Tamil relief fund to two rebel groups, the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam and the Eelam Revolutionary Organisation of stu-

Sri Lanka lodged a strong pro-test with New Delhi, saying the

Mr. Athulathmudali said navy and air surveillance had been

affairs.

stepped up in the seas separating The operations are necessary, India from northern Sri Lanka to prevent new arms from reaching "We have reports the \$3.2 mil-

lion (in) 'aid' has put the Tamil terrorists in the arms market in Madras," he said. "We will do what we can to see the fresh stock of arms purchased with the Indian 'aid does not reach Sri

Meanwhile, a senior military official said Tamil militants on Sunday lost a major base codenamed "Beirut" in the eastern Batticaloa district, 230 kilometres east of Colombo.

One Tamil militant was killed and five more injured when commandos of the special police task force overran the base, said the military official, who cannot be identified under briefing rules.

Actress Hermione Gingold dies at age 89

NEW YORK (R) — Actress having a good time." Hermione Gingold, a fiesty Her physician told woman with a rapier wit who graced the stages of London and New York for nearly eight decades, has died at the age of 89, her doctor said.

Gingold, who suffered from Parkinson's Disease for several years, died Sunday morning in her sleep at Lenox Hill Hospital where she had been admitted April 30 for pneumonia complicated by heart disease, said her physician, Gerson Nonas.

Born Hermione Ferdinands Gingold in London on Nov. 9, 1897, she made her debut on the London stage at the age of 11 under the name Rosina Philips in Pinkie And the Fairies. At 13, she appeared with Noel Coward in Where the Rainbow Ends. She last appeared on Broadway

British actor Sir John Gielgud said she was a "galant old girl. She was awfully clever."

Aileen Mehle, a nationally syndicated gossip columnist who writes under the name, "Suzy," said, "I thought she was rascal and a wonderful one. Witty and Dice. "And I always thought it was

fun to see her at parties. She was

always with some attractive

"she was always surrounded by young men. More than one. She enjoyed going out. She enjoyed her movies and her plays. She enjoyed life." Nonas said Gingold sometimes

Her physician told Reuters,

was depressed because Parkinson's Disease restricted her mobility. "But there were times she would bubble and smile and tell you funny stories. She was a delightful lady."

Hermione, named after the daughter of the King of Troy, became a Shakespearean actress, playing Cassandra in Troilus and Cressida at Stratford-On-Avon. She continued in classical roles at the Old Vic and in the West End until a comedic role in the Gate Review helped her find the style for which she would become

In 1951, she made her American debut in a revue called It's About Time.

movies, including Gigi in 1958, and the Music Man in 1962. In

She also appeared in numerous

Gigi, she sang an unforgettable duet with the late Maurice Chevalier, Yes, I Remember It Well. In 1973, she starred on Broadway in the Stephen Sondheim musical A Little Night Music. young man and seemed to be Her final performance on Broad-

way was in another Sondheim show, Side-by-Side With Sondheim in 1980. Gingold also wrote two books.

the World Is Square and Sirens Should Be Seen And Not Heard. "I can't spell and my secretary can't spell. We can't even look up words in the dictionary because we don't know where to find them," she said.

She once explained her windblown hair style by saying, "I pop my head out of the window each morning and everyone knows my hair style depends on which way the wind is blowing."

At a party for her 88th birth-day, she said she was working on a book, How To Grow Old Disgracefully. "Is it an autobiography?" someone asked.,

"What is that," Gingold re-plied. "It sounds like something written in a motorcar.' Gingold was married twice, to Michael Joseph, by whom she had two sons, and Eric Mus-chwitz, in London. Both mar-

riages ended in divorce. She spent her final years in New York, saying she could not return to England because it would mean her small army of pets would be forced into quarantine under British animal regula-

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Ear reattached after dog bites it off

LA PUENTE, California (AP) — Doctors reattached a 7-year-old boy's ear that had been bitten off by a dog, swallowed whole, and recovered nearly intact from the animal after it was destroyed. It was too soon to tell if the surgery was successful, said nursing supervisor Alyce Richardson at Queen of the Valley Medical Centre, where the boy was taken. The unidentified boy was in stable condition after more than two hours of surgery, she said. The boy was attacked Sunday afternoon in the driveway of a neighbour's home by a German Shepherd and a mixed-breed Doberman Pinscher, said Los Angeles county fire Capt. Jack Butler. Butler said paramedics found the boy in his home. "The father had his son in his arms and a pad over (the boy's) head," Butler said. Both dogs were destroyed at a County Animal Care and Control Centre because officers did not know which dog had swallowed the ear, said animal control officer Wendy Guerrero. The ear, swallowed whole, was found in Doberman's stomach mostly intact, Ms. Guerrrero said. Animal control officers packed the ear in ice and rushed it to the hospital, she said. Authorities said they did not know what prompted the attack.

Camel owner heavily fined over crash

SHARJAH, United Arab Emirates (R) - Two camels which strayed onto a road and caused a fatal car crash landed the owner a \$19,000 fine in a court judgment reversing an age-old custom. It has long been the practice in the United Arab Emirates (UAH) for the owner of any animal killed in an accident involving a vehicle to claim compensation from the driver. But this time ties owner was arrested and fined, the Sharjah daily Al Khaleej reported. It said Abdullah Saeed Salem, 25, was killed instantly when his car ploughed into the camels which ran onto a highway. His brother was injured and the car crushed. The camels survived.

Fans celebrate Star Wars 10th anniversary

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Ten years after movie producer George Lucas introduced the world to a galaxy far, far away, fans, celebrated the Star Wars movie with tributes to its creator and purchases of memorabilia at a weekend convention. Among the 13,000 spectators expected during the three-day convention were adults and children dressed as the film's heroes Luke Skywalker, Princess Leia and Han Solo. One T-Shirt declared "mother was an Ewok" and a woman walked the convention floor with a large Chewbacca doll on her back, treasuring the giant "wookie" that befriended Solo and Skywalker. "I like space and the flying (in the films). I want to be a pilot. I want to go into space because of Star Wars," said young Julie Valletta, who has seen Star Wars; and the sequels, the Empire Strikes Back and Return Of The Jedi, a total of 96 times. The films are three of the all-time biggest box office success. They have earned \$4 billion in theatre tickets, cassette sales, and screenings on free and pay television. Another \$2.6 billion came from sales of games, toys, books, clothing, candy bars, bedsheets, wallpaper, posters and other kinds of

'Pine cone extract arrests AIDS spread'

TOKYO (AP) - Japanese scientists have found that pine cone extract, used in Japan to treat stomach tumors and leukemia, inhibits the spread of the AIDS virus in laboratory experiments, a researcher has said. Showa University Professor Kunio Konno, who heads the team of scientists working at the Showa University in the United States, said researchers found that an extract from the cope of the Japanese white pine was effective in arresting the growth of the AIDS virus in lymph cells. He said the research was done at Showa's Independent Institute in the United States but first announced in Japan. The spread of AIDS was inhibited by 39 per cent to 90 per cent in the treated lymph cells, but the AITS virus continued to spread in the untreated control batch, he said: "From the research results, it (the extract) might be more effective than AZT in treating AIDS," Konno said. Acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS), which destroys the body's immune system and leaves its victims defenseless against infection, has no known cure. AZT, or Azidothyminine, which has been found to prolong the lives of some victims, is being used on a imited basis for treatment of AIDS patients in the United States

Miss Colombia named Miss Photogenic

SINGAPORE (AP) - Miss Colombia was voted "Miss Photogenic" Monday by news photographers covering the Miss Universe pageant. Patricia Lopez, a 19-year-old-student from Medellin, is one of 68 contestants in the annual competition, Herselection as the most photogenic entrant has no direct bearing on the final choice Wednesday of Miss Universe, but tended to bolster the already strong prospects of the Latin American contingent. Organisers said this year's winner would receive a record \$225,000 in prizes, including a sports car, firs and diamonds, and \$81,000 in cash. Women from the United States have won the title five times since the contest started in 1951. followed by Sweden and Venezuela with three winners each. Two-time winners have come from Brazil, Finland, Puerto Rico and the Philippines. The current Miss Universe is Barbara Palacios Teyde, 22, of Venezuela. She won the crown last year in Panama City where five of the 10 finalists were from Latin

LONDON (AP) — The father of a 4-year-old Israeli girl who came to Britain for a life-saving liver transplant was robbed at the after receiving a new liver in an operation at Addenbrooke's Hospital in Cambridge last month.

said Congressman Ron Coleman, King Church. Some said they would move who was among the 500 people away. "I don't like this place anyattending an outdoor mass on Sunday in memory of those more. Too much has died," said More than 120 people were Frank Ramirez, who escaped se-

SARAGOSA, Texas (AP) — deaths occurred at a preschool

graduation.

rubble.

Friday's tornado reduced this

76-year-old farming community,

whose 350 residents were mostly

poor Mexican-Americans, to

"I really don't expect it will be rebuilt. I don't think they can

afford it," said the Rev. Ralph

Barranger, who serves Christ the

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BY CHARLES GOREN

Q.1-Both vulnerable, as South you hold: **498742** ∇84 ≎AQ93 The bidding has proceeded: East South West North Pase 2 7 Pass ? What action do you take?

The bidding has proceeded: West North East South 1 ○ Dble 1 ♡ ? What action do you take?

Q.3-Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:

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Q.4-Neither vulnerable, as South

levelled his house.

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The bidding has proceeded:
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1 & Dble Pass ? What action do you take?

hold: 485 VAQJ8 01098 4AEJ2

Your right-hand opponent opens the bidding with one diamond. What action do you take?

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WEEKLY BRIDGE QUIZ

you hold: **♠AJ872** ♥K95 ♦8762 **♣**6. The bidding has proceeded:

Q.5-Neither vulnerable, as South you hold: ♦AJ973 ÇK95 ◇8432 49

Q.6-As South, vulnerable, you